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20 YEARS AGO AND TODAY

LIVES AND LIMBS WERE JUST AS IMPORTANT
IN 1920 AS TODAY — BUT NOW THERE ARE
MORE REASONS TO BE CAREFUL ALL WAYS



The photograph above, which was taken in 1920, shows the employees of the Grey Room in the Lewiston Bleachery. Two of the men, Jim Garneau and Oliver Dubois, are still employed there. Another of them shown in this picture is employed in the Starch Room. The women in the picture are Mrs. St. Denis, Mrs. Levesque and Mrs. Kelleher. Even 20 years ago safety was an important consideration for all employees, and today it would not be too much to say that it is twice as important as it was then. Different types of machinery, faster operations, new kinds of methods — all these things make it even more important today that all kinds of precautions be taken against any type of injury. The safety program

that is conducted in each of the mills has a real purpose — to prevent employees from sustaining painful injuries of any sort. The safety records of some of the mills have been very high, but in the past few months there has been a considerable increase in the number of injuries. Very often after an extremely good record has been set, the tendency is to relax, but this should not be done. Every day each person in the mill should try to avoid all types of injuries that might occur. If you are careful, the chances are that 20 years from today a photograph of you will be just as interesting to other people as this one is.

New England's Problem

Shortly after the end of the First World War, in 1919 to be exact, the cotton-textile industry in New England was operating nearly 18,000,000 cotton spindles. At the same time, the cotton-growing states of the South were operating just under 15,000,000 spindles, or 3,000,000 less than in New England.

Since that time a lot of things have happened. One of the most important of all these things to New England is the drop in the number of active spindles in New England to the point where, at the end of 1939, only slightly over 5,000,000 spindles were active in the New England States. Perhaps the most surprising thing is that this number of spindles operating now in New England is just about the same as the number of spindles operating way back in 1870, or seventy years ago.

But in the cotton-growing states just the opposite has taken place. Where the South had under 15,000,000 spindles in 1919, they now have increased their total to 17,500,000 active spindles. When it is realized that in 1870 these same states had a total of only 328,000 spindles, it is not difficult to see how this tremendous growth compares with conditions in New England.

The reasons for these drastic changes have been discussed by a great many people, and most everyone is agreed what they are. If New England is to maintain its position in the industry, and continue to provide employment for the people of its mills, every person has a task ahead that must be faced. It will be increasingly necessary to continue to make the best possible fabrics of each quality. It will be necessary to avoid any degree of waste in time or in materials. It will be necessary to make each machine produce to the limit of its capacity. And it will be necessary for each worker to realize what is at stake in the work he is doing.

A united effort to maintain the quality of New England fabrics, and the volume of cloth produced by New England mills will get results.

L. Klett, Jr.

Mill Manager

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This smart little girl is Claudet Ross, niece of Mrs. Diana Chagnon, who is employed in Spinning Dept. Plant B, Fall River.

SAFETY CONCLAVE

A few weeks ago the executive and supervisory staff of the Biddeford plant of Pepperell conducted a safety meeting at the Social and Athletic hall.

After a luncheon was served a program dealing with the safety committee's work over the last year was discussed. Paul Groover, Assistant Manager of the plant, was chairman of the evening.

The main part of the program was under the direction of A. J. Durette, of The Paige Foundation of Boston, who delivered an address on the Principles of Safety Work. He was followed by M. B. Jonesberg, safety consultant of Paige Foundation. He reviewed the progress in safety at Biddeford and Lewiston by the use of picture slides which were presented in a manner to be easily understood.

Principal speaker was Stewart H. Holbrook, author and writer for the *Saturday Evening Post* and *Collier's* magazine. His vivid description of lumberjacks in the north woods of Maine was most entertaining. Each person present was given a number and the two lucky holders received an autographed

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The service records of these four men at Biddeford Mill total 227 years. Just think of that! The average is 57 years each. Very few concerns can boast of a record like that. Left to right they are, Joseph Proulx, Edward Desmarais, Amédée Côté and John Cyr, whose combined ages total 227 years, or nearly three centuries.

THE FRONT COVER

Why is Pepperell called Pepperell? Because the land on which the original mill was built was at one time owned by Sir William Pepperell whose picture is on the front cover, and about whom there is a story on page 3. In fact, most of Biddeford and Saugus, back in colonial times were part of the land owned by this baronet, although, of course, they weren't the cities they are now.

SIR WILLIAM PEPPERELL

"The Mighty Man of Kittery"

Few men in all history have had more of a thrilling life adventure than did Sir William Pepperell, "the mighty man of Kittery." As great a lover as he was a conqueror, his conquest of the strong fortress of Louisburg forms a thrilling chapter in our Colonial history.

His rise to fame and prosperity was remarkable when we consider the humble beginning of the Pepperell family in this country. William Pepperell, father of Sir William, came to America from Wales when twenty-two years of age, arriving at the Isle of Shoals without a shilling in his pocket. At first he engaged in the fishing trade, which in time led to boatbuilding. After a lapse of a few years he married Margery Bray, daughter of a shipbuilder in Kittery. Mr. Bray gave to the couple a large tract of land on which was erected the famous old Pepperell mansion where Sir William, sixth of the eight children was born on June 27, 1696.

Those were stirring times, for King William's War was raging. Held close in his mother's arms, the boy must frequently have heard about the Indian massacres and outrages which were taking place. In fact 13 of his first 17 years were spent amid perils and dangers of Indian warfare. At 16 he bore arms in parrel duty. His education consisted of elementary training although his father secured an instructor who taught him surveying and navigation. His constant voyages on the sea and explorations in the Maine woods, encountering hostile Indians, all were to his advantage in later life, as we will discover by reading further.

Developed Big Trade

Gradually the Pepperell family extended their business activities. Their warehouses were filled with fish from the Banks of Newfoundland; sugar and molasses from the West Indies; hemp, iron, linen

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Introducing Jean Dennis, two-year-old daughter of Mrs. Howard Dennis, formerly employed at the Biddeford Oiler. Jean's grandmother, Jeanie Howard, is employed in the Blanket Weaving room at Biddeford.



Herbert Mix, from the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. Mr. Mix is the government representative for the blankets that are being woven in Biddeford.

and silk from Great Britain. They had over a hundred vessels engaged in fishing and foreign trade, and their name was known in London, Bristol, Havana, Charleston, Wilmington and Boston. Part of their fortune was invested in large tracts of land in Maine which gave them lumber for their shipbuilding enterprise.

When Andrew, Sir William's only brother, died, the firm name was changed from William Pepperell & Sons to William Pepperells. While young William was in his twenties he established a branch office of the firm in Boston, forming many acquaintances with the men of Boston and, being introduced into the best society he acquired the courtly manners and speech for which he later became distinguished.

Sir William Marries

It was on one of his trips to Boston that the "mighty man of Kittery" met Mary Hirst, a member of one of Boston's most distinguished families, a very practical girl with domestic relations that were suitable for her to become Lady Pepperell. He presented her with gold rings, a large hoop for her skirt and many other gifts, and on March 16, 1723 led her in the altar. It is safe in saying that she never regretted her choice of husband, for Sir William's name stands out as one of the most distinguished men of his day.

Public Career

When only 21 he was captain of a company of infantry and not long after was promoted to rank of major and lieutenant-colonel. At the age of 30 he was chosen representative from Kittery to the Massachusetts Legislature and during the same year was made a colonel, which placed him in command of all the militia of Maine. The following year he was appointed a member of the Massachusetts Council by Governor Belcher and in 1730 the Gov-

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Stewart Holbrook in a forceful gesture as he describes the Maine lumberjack, Digger Jones. Mr. Holbrook spoke before the facemen and executives of Biddeford and Lewiston at Biddeford. His dynamic personality commanded strict attention.

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copy of Mr. Holbrook's book, *Canale Frechette*, second hand of Sheetng Weaving, and George Early, Overseer of Blanket Carding, were the two men.

To close the evening with a little fun, Francis Y. Cook, disguised as Signor Giovanni, Professor of Economics and Industrial Research of the University of Milan, Italy, kept the men rolling in the aisles with his American-Italian dialect. Dressed as a foreign diplomat, he certainly had all the men fooled by his little talk.

Music was furnished by the Philharmonic Orchestra under the leadership of Joe Martin. The luncheon was under the direction of Gladys Himmel and her able assistants, who did a fine job of tray serving.



Mr. John Pace of the Biddeford Mill. When not taking care of boilers, Mr. Pace does special painting jobs, such as the advertising signs seen about the city.

ED NICHOLS IS A GREAT
PEPPERELL BOOSTER
AND SALESMAN

What makes for the continued success of this, or any concern is co-operation. Whether it be a small retail store or a plant the size of Pepperell, co-operation plays a prominent part. In the sport world the New York Yankees won four World Series games in a row; the Trojans won the Rose Bowl game through the spirit of co-operation. So does Pepperell play the same sort of game—co-operation.

The management co-operates with the employees to produce a product worthy of the name. The Sales Department works with the Advertising Department, publishers, retail stores to market the product in a successful manner.

Nichols & Company, in Biddeford, this year celebrates its 25th year of selling Pepperell products. This Dry Goods store, better known as the "Pepperell Sheet Shop," enjoys a fine trade of our

Mr. E. S. Nichols,
owner of Nichols &
Company in Biddeford.
This year the
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Anniversary of
selling Pepperell
Products.



products, especially through the summer vacation months. Tourists from the beaches are much interested in our linens of which, by the way, the Nichols Company carries a full stock. Our Canadian friends especially take advantage of the opportunity to replenish their linen closets at cash savings.

The outstanding note with the "Sheet Shop" lies in the fact that they carry no other make of bed linens—just Pepperell. This is perfectly obvious because there is no other product any better than that of our own company. Then, too, this store, which really does sell a large quantity of our product, is doing all it can to sell our merchandise and keep our own people employed.

Mr. Nichols' Statement

When Mr. Nichols was interviewed for this story he made the following remark, "I call the Pepperell our own company. The entire management always co-operates with this store to the fullest degree. The employees should feel proud of the superior product they help to make. May continued success crown your efforts in 1940 and all years to come."

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erlor appointed him Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for Maine, an office he held until death.

After Sir William's marriage to Mary Hirst, they took up residence in the family mansion at Kittery. As the years rolled by we find that they had four children born unto them, two of whom died in infancy. Upon the two remaining, Andrew and Elizabeth, was centered all the affections of their parents. Elizabeth with her winning personality was a popular belle in Boston society. Many were her admirers but it was Nathaniel Spachawk, son of a clergyman in Bristol, R. I., who won her affections and on May 1, 1742 the young couple were united in marriage. As a wedding gift, Sir William gave his daughter a splendid residence in Kittery.

Daughter's Trouseau

Great preparations were made for the wedding. In a letter to Francis Willis, agent in London for Sir William, he states that gold is being shipped on the boat "America" in payment for the following articles. "Silk to make a woman a full suite of clothes, the ground to be white padusoy and flowered with all sorts of colors suitable for a young woman. Another of white watered taffy and gold lace for trimming in it—12 yds. of green padusoy—13 yds. of lace for woman's head dress—2 inches wide—a handsome fan with leather mounting—2 pair silk shoes and clogs a size bigger than ye shoes." The difficulty of securing textiles at this early period is evident. All the luxuries and most of the necessities had to be imported from abroad, for only the coarsest of home-spun materials were made in this country.

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All ready, now where shall we go? At the flip of a coin, Boston was chosen. Left to right, they are Annette Bruneau, Rose Lariviere, Mabel Frappier, Alice Prechette, Dot Adjutant and Janet Belanger.

EMPLOYED BY PEPPERELL 60 YEARS



On May 1st, 1872, a child was born in Biddeford destined to become one of Pepperell's reliable employees. He was christened Amédée Cote and is at present employed in the Blanket Division. Without reservation, he is as spry and cheerful as any one person in the corporation.

He attended the Parochial school which was then located on Water Street. At the age of eight he entered Pepperell's employ as a Tube Boy on Mule Spinning, in No. 18 Mill. His wages were twenty-four cents for a twelve hour day. A short time later he was transferred to the old No. 3 Mill, or the present No. 17 building, as a Railway Boy. This was at the time when the tops, or flats, of the Cards were made of wood and James Leavitt was overseer.

14 Years Old

Four years had elapsed when he became a Draw Frame Tender. During a few minutes till he would assist the Shubber Tenders in their work and it was in this way that he learned to operate Shubbers. Amédée was only fourteen years old when he ran his first pair of Shubbers but he was too short in stature, and so a platform was built between the

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frames so he could reach the required distance. For forty-one years he was a Slusher Tender, producing top quality work.

In some of those years power was furnished by water wheels and at times the water was low, which necessitated all workers stopping their job. If there was enough water for power after supper they would then return to their work.

Many Changes

Naturally he has seen many changes in his sixty years of faithful service. A stable was located on the present site of the Sheeting Cloth Room. No. 13 Mill has been built, a story added to No. 15 Mill and many other additions. He has worked for ten overseers and five Agents, namely Messrs. Howe, McArthur, Morrill, Whitehead and Cook. Strange indeed, but he has always been employed on the Lacunia Division.

An ardent follower of sports, he at one time played on a local baseball team. He has trained boxers and bicycle riders, a favorite pastime of oldsters. Amedee learned his fine training technique from the Lenox Club in Boston. Some years ago his twenty-one foot sloop, "Secret," with Mr. Cote as skipper, won many a race on the river. The Captain of the "City of Waterville," a seventy-five foot boat which plied between here and The Pool, claimed Cote as the best sailor on the river.

When we talked about swimming and diving he really felt at home. Cote proved he was the highest diver in Birkdale when he climbed the mast of the schooner "Mary C. Stuart" and jumped from the cross trees into the water, a distance of 78 feet. This height can better be realized by comparing it with the Main Street bridge, which is forty-two feet from the water. His dive was nearly twice the distance.

Safety

Safety, too, has been a watchword with him. Only once has he had an accident.

His services have been greatly appreciated by the company. Never has he entered a complaint to the company, or vice versa. This in itself is a fine record. His present boss said, "I have some fine people working for me, but none better than Mr. Cote." So it has been since 1880 in the present time.

Mr. Cote is married and has two daughters.

Gerald Flynn, manager of the Lewiston Soft Ball Team. Last year Jerry played left field for the Cabinet Club of the same city.



PAUL JUNIOR

Maine's Outstanding Contribution to the Boxing Game Is a Fine Example of What Clean Living Will Do



The recent bout in the Boston Garden, in which Henry Armstrong, World's Welterweight Champion, retained his title in a bout with Paul Junior of Lewiston, Maine, who wears the New England Lightweight Crown, was of great interest to most of our readers. The Lewiston boy is a prime favorite with all who have had the pleasure of making his acquaintance, and when he visited our Lewiston Plant recently, your reporter gleaned from him a few facts which should be of interest.

Paul was born in Canada on July 26, 1909, which will make him 31 years old this year. His parents were residents of Augusta, Maine, at the time, but were visiting in Canada when the Stork delivered the future fistic king. He was one of a family of 19 children, which was no small brood even in the good old-fashioned days. His parents celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in February of this year. Both are hale and hearty and extremely proud of their famous son.

Junior started his ring career fifteen years ago at the age of 16, and here is something which will be of particular interest to all Pepperell employees. Paul Lavigne, who has been employed for years in the White Filling Room of the Lewiston Plant, was Junior's first instructor and manager. Newspapers all over the country have repeatedly stated that Paul Junior was given his ring name because his father was also named Paul, but such is not the case. He was named Paul Junior by our own Paul Lavigne, who at that time was doing considerable boxing in local rings and who started the New England champion on the road to fistic fame and fortune.

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PAINTS SKETCHES IN WATER
COLORING

One of the finest pieces of art we have yet found is that of the painting done by Marion DeFusco. Marion is employed in the Fall River mill as a Roving Masher in the Cotton Division.

Following the methods generally used in art of this sort, she first draws a very rough sketch in pencil. Then by continually redrawing in pencil to form the design she wishes to create the sketch is ready to be colored. Yes, all her works are tinted by the most delicate and appropriate shades. Unfortunately the picture here in black and white does not give full credit to her work, but you can notice the fine shading.



MARION DEFUSCO

which is employed. All coloring is done by the water color method, and if any of you good readers have ever tried this, you well know what her problems must be like.

The majority of her paintings are based on dress designing. Her imagination which she applies to the art is very singular. This may be because in her domestic affairs she is known among her friends as a splendid seamstress. Marion was a model in the Fall River style show. Few knew it, but the dress she displayed was made by her, and drew no little attention.

We are very proud to present these drawings to Sheet readers and sincerely hope that Miss DeFusco will again pick up her colors so that we may present more of her works of art in this magazine. To all employees of the Fall River plant, we strongly suggest that you ask Marion to show you her sketches.

Bill Cox of the Fall River Cox family. Bill has been with Pepperell for six years. He paints those big signs that we see in the Mill yard when not performing his regular duties.

SHEET MONOGRAMMING
POPULAR

Since the monogramming of sheets and pillow cases was first introduced at Lewiston, it has become increasingly popular. It was originally designed to use only one letter, which today is the favorite, but now the three letter initials, in various colors are setting a hard pace for the single initial.

Let's see how this is done. First, the cloth to be monogrammed is stenciled. Then it is placed between two small wooden loops to keep the cloth taut. To get the raised effect a fillet is used. This fillet resembles shoe laces, only of course, it is white and of better quality. A machine similar to a sewing machine sews the fillet right in to the fabric. Where the ordinary stitching goes in a line, this machine sews from side to side of the fillet and covers it completely.

This really makes a fine looking job and discriminating housewives everywhere are choosing monogrammed sheets and pillow slips to be included in their linen closets. It is interesting to note that the letters "D" and "S" are the ones most frequently used.



Two of Biddeford's finest, Ned Reberge and Freddie Guillouette. They are friends to all employees, inasmuch as they direct street traffic at bell hour. Both were formerly employed at Pepperell. Officer Reberge started the first Draper hours to come to our city.

GERARD COTE WINS MARATHON

With the winning of the Marathon in Boston on Patriots' Day, by a St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, man, considerable interest is aroused because quite a few of Pepperell's employees were born there. Others have near relatives who are living in that fine city across the border.

A crowd of spectators, estimated at 500,000, saw Gerard Cote finish first in the race of 26 miles and 385 yards and establish a record by going this distance in two hours, 28 minutes and 28 3/5 seconds, finishing a half mile ahead of the nearest rival.

Cote was born in St. Barnabé on July 27, 1913, and lived there until the age of ten, when his folks moved to St. Hyacinthe. When he attained the age of 20 he took an active interest in running. Two years later, or in 1935, he got his first real taste of the sport in Yonkers where he finished in 12th place. The next year he returned and finished in 7th place, only 30 seconds behind the winner.

Year by year he finished nearer the tape. In 1937-38-39 he was among the first ten to come in at the Boston Marathon. In our neighboring country of Canada he was doing better, for in 1936 and 1938 Cote was champion of Canada. Always did Cote enter the 26 mile, 385 yard competition.

This year he came to the top at Boston, the envy of all Canada, especially, of course, of that beautiful but busy textile city of St. Hyacinthe. On his return, a splendid ovation was awarded him. Bands, parades,



Sarah Whitworth, one of our efficient room reporters in the Sheetng Card Room at Biddeford. It looks as though she was telling Charlie which train to board.

speeches by leading sportsmen and Provincial gentlemen. A purse of over \$500, raised through public subscription, awaited Cote who in everyday life operates a news stand selling papers and periodicals. A great day in the history of St. Hyacinthe, to welcome the return of their favorite son.

Snowshoe Runner

Not only has Cote established a new record in the Marathon but he has shattered old records and made new world records as a snowshoe runner. At the Carnival in Montreal in January, 1938, he represented the Infatigable Club of St. Hyacinthe. It was a ten mile race which he made in one hour, three minutes and 46 seconds, establishing a new record. The next month he went to St. Paul and finished first in the eight mile run going the distance in 54 minutes for another record. Out of 14 snowshoe marathons, seven times he finished in first place and seven times in second position.

Roller Skates Too

Neither is Cote so bad on roller skates. At Montreal in 1933, in a 15 day marathon he finished in second place. In 1934 at Newark, N. J., with 31 days on the wheeled skates he ended the three weeks marathon by finishing fourth. He made a world's record in Montreal by covering five miles in 15 minutes and 2 seconds.

But this is not all. Many times he plays hockey with the boys. During the summer he plays softball and does considerable riding on his bicycle to keep in trim.

One thing can always be said of Gerard Cote. In any race of any kind which he enters, he always finishes it. Never does he give up even though at times he is far behind the winner. We can best sum up his career by quoting *Le Courier*, the French newspaper of St. Hyacinthe which says of him, "Gerard Cote is the glory of French Canadians as a marathoner." There seems to be nothing we can add unless we would term him the North American wonder boy, at only 26 years of age.



This picture of Capt. Michael P. Bragan, which was taken about thirty years ago, shows one of our veteran Lewiston Division employees. Mr. Bragan has been with us for 45 years and it is needless to say that he is well known and liked by all at Lewiston.

"LOCAL BOY MAKES GOOD"

From time to time we have read of Biddeford people making good in the stage and screen world. Right now, Biddeford's representative is John Chacamaty who was very prominent in Public Speaking Contests sponsored by the Biddeford High School. At present he is taking an active part in plays produced in Hollywood and has carried the leading role in several productions.

John was born in Biddeford and was educated in the public schools with the exception of three years when his family moved to Somerville, Mass. While he was attending school in the Bay State city he won first prize in a nationwide contest with an essay on "Metholic Liquors and Their Effect on the Body."

As far as the theatre is concerned, he also wanted to be an actor. At the tender age of five he was playing dashing hero leads in Greek school theatricals.

Versatile Chap

While attending Biddeford High School his Mother and Dad were working for Pepperell and he took part in several plays that were produced there. During 1935-36 he was awarded first place in Public Speaking for York County High Schools, and second place in the Maine State finals. He plays a violin very well and directed an orchestra which played for a number of the dances conducted at the school auditorium. Possessing a fine singing voice he carried the solo part for his band.

After having graduated from B. H. S. he attended

Colby College one year but realized that college was not suited for him. He was determined to become an actor. However, while attending Colby he won the Hallowell speaking contest, the first time in the history of the college that a Freshman had achieved this honor.

He returned to Biddeford and worked hard for several years to get enough money to go to Hollywood, where he lived until he recently moved to Culver City to be near the M. G. M. studios. During his eight months there, he has appeared in three shows. He is billed under the assumed name of John Markus. For his first play he appeared as the villain in "The Grass Looks Greener" at the Footlight's Workshop in Hollywood. Later he appeared as the juvenile in "Our Town" at the Callboard Theatre and shortly after as the hero in "An Time for Comedy" at the Bliss-Hayden Miniature Theatre.

Deserves Success

We must give considerable credit to John for his energy in trying to succeed. Beside play rehearsals, he attends a dramatic school and still finds time to work in a restaurant to earn enough money to send him to the school.

He was asked for his honest opinion as to the chances for crashing the movies and he gave this reply, "One in a million. There are so many youngsters here all hoping for the one big break, but I can't help feeling that if I work hard enough I'll get there. I certainly won't give up without a struggle. I came 350 miles on a shoestring to prove that it can be done, and by the Grace of God—I will do it!"

"But who is responsible for all your efforts and your dreams," we asked, to which he replied, "My mother. Through the years she has put up with my many notions and dreams, and has done her utmost to understand and help me realize them. To her guiding devotion to me and her tireless efforts to help me, I have dedicated all the work I have done and ever hope to do."



Maudie is the 4½-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dempsey. John is a Rayon Weaver in Mill A, Fall River.

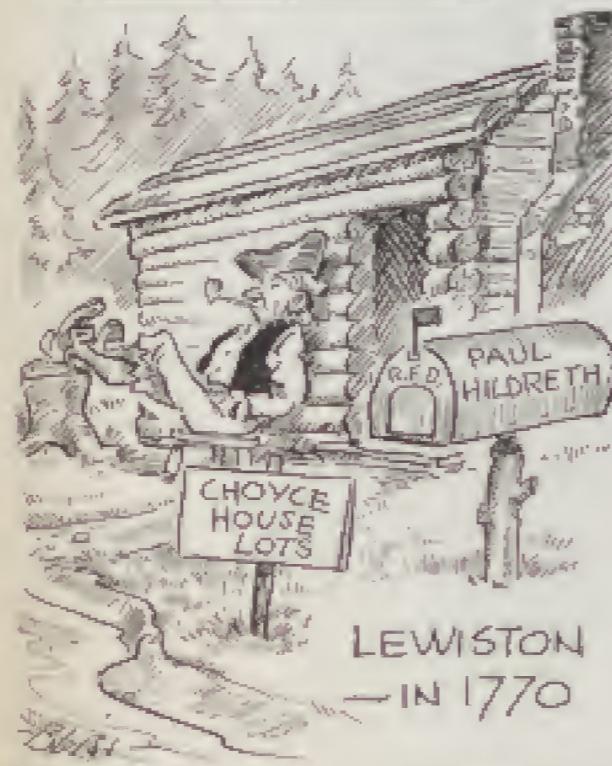
How happy folks seems to be after enjoying a shore dinner. These girls, Laurette Archambault and Irene Berthiaume, Spinners in the Blanket Division at Biddeford, are finishing their meal at the Bowling Banquet.



A CHANGE

With this issue of the "Pepperell Sheet" we are going on a monthly basis. This means more entertainment for you and the latest news while it's fresh. Another change is in the process used in printing the "Sheet." Previously letterpress printing was used but this issue is done in offset, a process which allows for greater flexibility in both the text and the illustrations.

We will appreciate hearing any comments which you might make on this issue.



Lewiston was first settled in 1770 by Paul Hildreth, the first white man to visit the locality. He erected a log house on the east bank of the Androscoggin river, then known as "20 mile falls". In the autumn of the same year, the house burned and he went elsewhere but returned in the spring to rebuild, believing that the locality had a good future because of the fine hunting, fishing and water facilities.

CLIMBING THE LADDER

The first issue of the *Pepperell Sheet* was published in July, 1938. On the cover was a picture of those attending a school class then conducted by Overseer Brady, in Biddeford, Maine. Since that time 40% of these people have been promoted to better jobs in our Mill or have moved elsewhere for the same purpose.

This does not necessarily mean that only by attending the school that these changes took place. Simply that it is interesting to note what changes happen to a group of people in a brief period of two years.

Two have been made grinders; one, assistant grinder; one assistant superintendent in our Fall River mill; one, a research engineer in Greensboro, N. C.; two made overseers and one a fixer. But this is not all, for one has been made a second hand, one has gone to Boston as machinist; another has joined the aviation corps of the U. S. Army; and one has gone to Manila, P. I., as overseer. There are others too, that are climbing up the ladder, who we hope will soon have responsible positions.

For years past men have joined other organizations to become agents or superintendents, all proud to say that they received their schooling at Pepperell. We have been asked several times by the older employees to list the names of these men. These names are being accumulated at the present time and will be listed very shortly.



Off to Greenland with a flying start when a cat was seen on the horizon. The children are Roland and Juliet Hamel, brother and sister of Laurette Hamel, of the Biddeford Blanket Cloth Room.

RAISES MINK AS A HOBBY

Perhaps it is a bit unusual to talk about fur coats, but there is a man in Lewiston who literally has a fur coat that is running around. Really, what this means, is that Eugene Goodreau, of the White Finishing room, is raising mink as a hobby.

Mr. Goodreau served in the U. S. Army at one time and on his travels he spent some time in Alaska. It was here that he became interested in the animal because he frequently visited a fur farm. After a time, he returned to Lewiston and secured employment at the Bleachery and wanting some sort of a hobby, decided to raise mink.

There are four species of mink and Gene has three of them, namely, the Eastern, Labrador and Yukon. Each has certain qualities that are perfect; such as



Do you want a mink coat, girls? This gentleman, who is Eugene Goodreau of the Lewiston Factory, is raising native mink. Some of his animals are worth \$100.00 each.

size, quality of fur, thickness and color. It is Gene's idea to cross-breed these and get a strain that develops all good characteristics. This sounds like a lot to do and it is, but no doubt it can be done. To prove this, some time ago no one had ever heard of a silver fox, but this color was achieved by interbreeding a brown and a black fox. Recently, a new shade has come on the market, known as the platinum fox.

Natural Habits

But to get back to the mink. Their natural habits are to follow a bank along a brook in search of food. They feed on smaller animals like squirrels or rabbits and they are fond of fish too. In fact, mink are very good swimmers. The hind feet of a mink are webbed and rare is the case when a fish can get away.

They are fearless fighters. It would be nothing for them to tackle a dog or a cat. When two mink get together, they always fight and will keep it up until one meets death. It is the same during mating season. This is the time when Gene has to keep a sharp eye on them or else he is liable to lose one, probably the female.

Jet Black Pelt

Some of Mr. Goodreau's animals are worth a hundred dollars each because of their size and fur quality. Some mink are brown or they may be black with a white spot or two. The darker the pelt the greater is

the value and every one of Gene's mink are a jet black with a slight bluish tinge.

Gene has studied the habits and requirements of his mink and is raising them for quality styling. In the future he anticipates raising fox and several other fur bearing animals.



This is one of the illustrations Rosalie Belanger is sending to the Hobby Show to be held in Philadelphia, June 17 to 29.

THE DRAGON LOOKS BACK ON BIDDEFORD

12 Years Ago This Month

Fred Grace plows his garden by pairing up a horse with a mule.

New sign erected on roof of Social and Athletic Club rooms.

Joel Tibbets, Overseer of Carding, retires. Henry Hartley and Amédée Hamel appointed overseers.

Baseball team organized with George Moulen, Manager. Players include Jimmie Turkey, A. Hamel, Syl Kelly, "Busy" Sunard, "Selly" Emery, Joe Vachon and Ted Shevencell.

Tex Turner signs up Clyde Furio, Ted Drew, Pecker Martin and Duke Menard for local boxing fans.

Doctor in charge of Waterbury (Conn.) Hospital demands Lady Pepperell linen on beds.

11 Years Ago This Month

General Superintendent Alfred J. Sterling passes away.

Mr. E. T. Sauthier appointed to succeed Mr. Sterling.

Agent H. R. Whitehead announces free instruction in cotton manufacture available to second hands or any person interested.

FORMER PEPPERELL MAN
FOUNDER OF WEBBER
HOSPITAL



Moses W. Webber was a man little known to the people of Biddeford, yet to the contrary, his name should be on the lips of every citizen. He was the founder of the Webber Hospital and a former Overseer and Paymaster of Pepperell.

Born in 1837, he was educated here and got his first job at the York Mills, later coming to Pepperell as Overseer of the Cloth Room, which was located where the new Sheeting Cloth Room is. After a few years he went to Salem but returned as Paymaster of the Laceria Company. He was also employed at Great Falls Mfg. Co. in New Hampshire and then went to the Nashua Mfg. Co. as Superintendent, the job he held until death, June 19, 1899. He was buried in Laurel Hill Cemetery in Saco.

Philanthropist

He was always interested in the welfare of Biddeford. In his will he left forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to be used towards a free hospital. For several years the money was not used and the sum grew to seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000). He was also a big real estate holder.

Then on November 15, 1908 the land on Elm street was purchased for the hospital. In August the following year, a group of local men inspected the new Wentworth Hospital in Dover, N. H., to get a few ideas before our local institution was erected.

Enthusiasm

Enthusiasm by local people was growing now because they could see that steps were being taken to build a splendid hospital which was greatly needed because they had outgrown the building on Pool street which they were using. This building, by the way, is the present Libby home. On September 15, 1909, a baseball game was played, the proceeds of which went

toward building the new hospital. All the stores in town were closed so that everyone could see the game.

On May 6, 1910, a contract was signed, by the Building Committee, with the F. W. Cunningham & Sons Co. of Portland to erect the present structure. Plans called for the most modern type of hospital that could be had and more money was needed to add to the Moses Webber sum. On April 23, 1911, a nine day campaign was started to raise \$30,000. The result was that \$33,706 was received.

Completion

Then the day came when the building was completed. On November 8, 1911, the doors were swung open for public inspection. As you can well imagine, everyone voiced their satisfaction on this \$100,000 institution.

In the meantime, the followers of Florence Nightingale were located in a number of homes in the neighborhood. The directors could easily understand that a nurses' home was necessary, so plans were drawn, the building was constructed and in 1926 the nurses had their home.

This is the story in brief of a man formerly employed by Pepperell, whose foresight and financial ability have given to Biddeford the splendid institution which now bears his name.

CONTRIBUTES DEVICE FOR
BETTER WEAVING

Mr. Israel Shevenell, loom fixer in Room 93 in Biddeford, has recently completed an attachment to go on his looms. This guard materially helps to prevent "smashing", or break ends. After demonstrating the utility of the guard and its ability to make the work easier and the product better, it was decided that Mr. Shevenell receive a special cash award for his helpful suggestion. This guard has been put on other similar type looms and the results obtained are satisfactory.

It will be remembered that Israel's grandfather was the first French-speaking person to come to Biddeford.

"Speak to me, Pon Pon, if you want this piece of candy," says Jeannine Dutilleux, niece of Mrs. Ernestine Gingras, of 34-B Spinning Room at Biddeford Mill.



Bowling Teams End Season

About 50 members of Pepperell's Lewiston Division Bowling League wrote finis to a successful season Thursday night, May 16, by attending a banquet in their honor at the Keil Devil's Club House, Sabbathus Road, Lewiston. Refreshed with abundant, well-cooked food and cheered with a delightful program of entertainment, the members buried the banister for another season and became friends again after struggling through a strenuous twenty-five week schedule of red-hot competition.

Lord Pepperell's First

The league this season was made up of eight teams. With the addition of two teams to last year's line-up the loop was faster and every point was warmly contested. The Lord Pepperell team, which came in third last year, finally broke the tape as a winner with an average of 670 for the season. The Lady Pepperell team came in second, then in the order named came Duchess, Rangeley, Percal, Peeress, Countess, and Pepperell. The championship team was made up of: Tom Conley, Frank O'Connell, John Hamilton, Russ Holland, and John Murphy. Gold necktie holders were presented to each member of the winning team by the Pepperell Sheet.

Individual Scores

Looking over the records we find that the veteran Timmy Driscoll again for the second consecutive year led the pack with a lusty average of 103 for 69 strings thus bettering his last year's record of 98 for 72 strings. Tom Conley, star member of the champions, came in second with an average of 101.4. Mert Parker saluted away third place with an average



We are proud to present the winning Bowling Team of Fall River. They are: Romeo Ouellette, Captain; Joshua Hale; Albert Horne; Edward Market; Tom Waterworth and Bob Smith. They recently celebrated the honor by going to Boston and took in everything from a Ball Game to—well, you guess.

of 100.2 and the veteran Bill Leger completed the first foursome with an average of 99.9.

The record for best attendance went to Mert Parker, Toly Joyce, Frankie O'Connell, and Diddy Cloutier who bowled every string on the schedule regardless of rain, sleet, snow, cold, aches and pains. T. Kennelsons salted away the High Single record with a lusty 144. Timmy Driscoll dug into pay dirt one night and cashed in his chips for 378 setting up a High Three record that couldn't be indulged. The Rangeleys went on a rampage one night and set up 546 dead maples as a High Team Single record. The Lady Pepperell team kept up the carnage for three strings and when the blitzkrieg was over they set up a record of 1544 for the High Team Three Strings.

Unanimous Re-election

The season was very successful and many ex-



These Lewiston Sheet Factory employees organized a two-team bowling league last winter and have been hitting the maples each week for several months. Most of them were beginners when the season opened, but they have improved so much that they would like to match their skill with any girl bowling teams in the Pepperell organization. The girls are: Standing, Fernande Cloutier, Yvonne Levesque, Rose Lemieux and Madore Cote. Seated: Anita Cote, Jane Wilder, Adeline Dumais, Cecile Cloutier, Theresa Houle, Agnes Blackwood, Clairette Duke and Mabel Tuccotte.

As Softball Gets Under Way

pressed regret at seeing it come to a close. All were unanimous in expressing their congratulations to President Frank O'Connell for the fine manner in which he conducted the league and also to Wes Ricker for keeping the records. Both were unanimously reelected for the coming season. Lester Buck, friend and counselor of the league, won the Treasure Chest drawing valued at five dollars. Dennis King rendered several popular songs and Barney Hennessy gave a very good impression of Sammy Kay in; "Would You Like to Lead a Band?" The music was furnished by the Sunshine Valley Boys who delivered endless strains of intoxicating music that kept their eager audience on their toes.



Step right up and meet the winning members of the girls' Bowling Team at Biddeford. They represent the Bo Peep Team and are, back row: Pauline Boutet and Eva Morris. Front row: Mahel Frappier, Lucille Lamoreux and Juliette Garon.

AND AT BIDDEFORD

The bowling season has come to a close in the Biddeford league, but many happy and jovial memories still linger. The banquet was held last month at the Cascade Lodge where 85 persons enjoyed a fine meal, climaxed by the awarding of various prizes and the witnessing of a grand entertainment.

The evening's program was under the direction of Harry Whelan and Chris Prescott, who kept things rolling right along. Never a dull moment when these fellows get together. Edmund Lithy with his piano accordion played his part as the evening minstrel and the Brushtop Boys, seven and nine years of age, brought down the house when they played the guitar and banjo.

A solid gold tie clasp was awarded each member of the Men's league and a gold pin to the winning members of the Girls' team. Incidentally tie clasps were awarded members of the winning teams at Fall

River and Lewiston also. All pins were donated by the *Pepperell Sheet*.

The management of our company very graciously offered valuable prizes to individual bowlers. Eddie Denters, Gus Norman and Constance Hartley each received a set of Lady Pepperell colored hem sheets and cases. (Name one person who couldn't use these.) Jos. Lafrancois, Pauline Boulet and Donat Blais were each given an Essex blanket to keep them warm for many winters to come. Conde Frechette and Willie Viere were each awarded a half dozen Turkish towels, while Leslie Martin and Jos. Beaupre drew a half dozen face cloths each as a consolation prize.

It was an evening long to be remembered. Already plans are under way in selecting captains for the coming season.

LEWISTON LOOKS FOR ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SOFTBALL SEASON

With the advent of balmy spring breezes and sunny skies, softball enthusiasts at the Lewiston plant have been getting in some practice licks. Most of last year's championship team are available, and these, with several players who performed for other local teams last season, should provide the Bleachery with another winning aggregation.

Al Roberts, last year's manager, will be unable to handle the team this year due to other pressing matters, and it goes without saying that he will be sorely missed. His pep and hustle had a lot to do with adding another trophy to our already well-filled cabinet. However, the team is fortunate in having available for this important position, none other than that ardent sports devotee, Jerry Flynn. Jerry will direct the destinies of the club and we all know that he will do his utmost to grab another pennant for us.

From last year's outfit will be available Tom "DiMag" Anthoine, Henry "Honous" Breen, Ted "Bartle-Ax" Murphy, "Bullet" Bill Tewhey, "Long" Tom Salter, Bill Judson, Tom "Lanny Ross" Cormley and Bobby Kerr.

Not exactly a quartet, but the winning team of the Second Shift Bowling League. Left to right, they are Armand Grenier, Francis Smith, Edgar Guenon and Gus Normand. Leo St. Ann was absent at the time.



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Mr. P. Lincoln Dunlap, Assistant Manager of our Fall River Mill. Mr. Dunlap is an ardent sports fan and is frequently seen knocking down the tall maples.



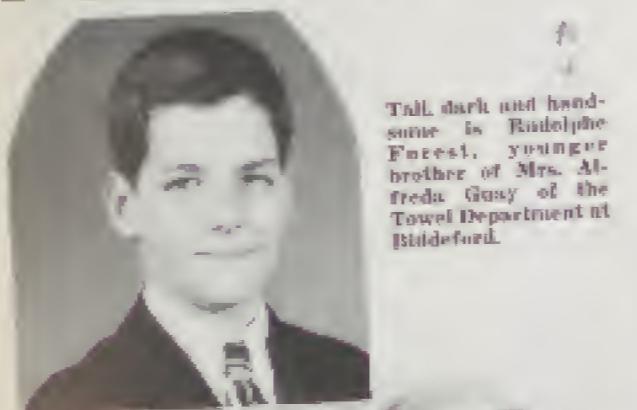
Louise Polzell is now nine years old. This picture was taken when she was five years old. Her dad, Patrick Polzell, is a loom fixer in Mill A, Fall River.



Roger Dutremble, son of Mr. and Mrs. Romeo Dutremble of Sheetling Spinning at Biddeford. Should Roger keep his weight, we'll wager he'll be a weight lifter when he gets older.



Pino Polzell, 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Polzell of Fall River, is shown riding a pony. This picture was taken when he was three years old.



Tall, dark and handsome is Rudolphe Forest, younger brother of Mrs. Alfreda Gossy of the Towel Department at Biddeford.

One of the newer members of the Pipe Shop Department at Biddeford is Charles Weston. If a pipe needs repairing, Charlie says he can fix it and we know he can, too.



This young lady is Pauline McInyer, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cleophas McInyer. Mr. McInyer is a loom fixer in 13-1 Weave Room at Biddeford.

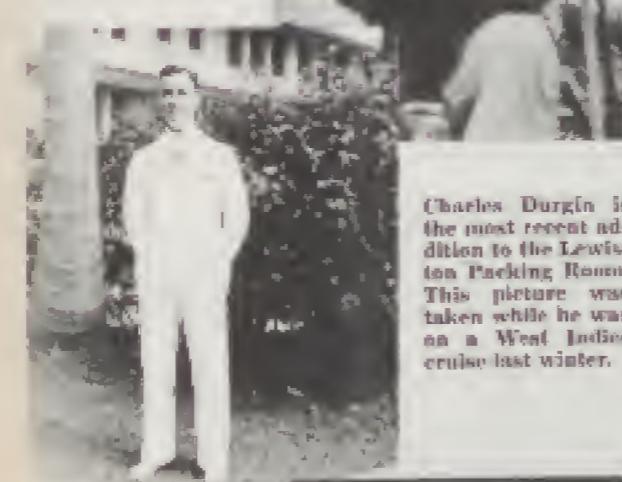




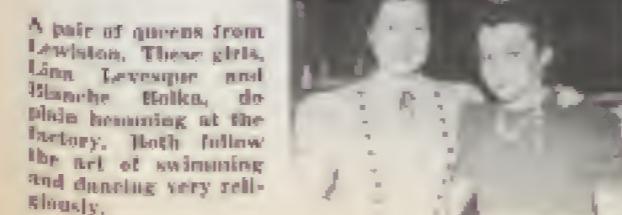
Further proof that we are never too old to enjoy the sports with the youngsters. A little smaller sled and it would be out of the question, though. Laurette Hanel of the Blanket Cloth Room, with her brother Conrad, leads the way for a down-hill slide.



This little lady is Doris Berube, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Berube. Mrs. Berube is one of the doublers in the Lewiston Sheet Factory.



Charles Durgin is the most recent addition to the Lewiston Packing House. This picture was taken while he was on a West Indies cruise last winter.



A pair of queens from Lewiston. These girls, Lina Levesque and Blanche Balko, do plenty of running at the factory. Both follow the art of swimming and dancing very religiously.

Two charming employees of the Towel Cloth Room at Biddeford, are Mrs. Eva Gaudette and Pauline Bautet. It looks like something is going to happen soon by the expression on their faces.



It looks like Valdora Bilodeau, of the Lewiston Sheet Factory, is quite a fast worker, but Val says it is all right. The gentleman's her god-father, Mr. Wilfred Gauthier.



The oldest rayon weaver in point of service is Mr. Wilfred Jolicoeur, of Fall River. When Pepperell bought the present Mill, Mr. Jolicoeur started the first rayon loom.

JOSEPH M. GREBIN WAS A
SKILLED ARTIST

For some months now we have been gathering material for the writing of this story. It concerns that of a former Biddeford mill hand; a man many of you knew—Joseph M. Grebin. Mr. Grebin left this world on November first last year to travel to another land from which no man has ever returned. The irony of this story is that four days before he died, he knew this story would eventually be published and asked to have his picture taken, but he was in too weak a condition for that.

But may we go on with the story that made him so well known throughout our community? Mr. Grebin was born in France in 1859. He came to America in his early teens and settled in Biddeford, about 49 years ago. He was employed by the Pepperell company as a weaver to be later transferred to the Carding department. He retired in 1933.

In his early life he chose printing and oil painting as his hobby. He discarded these when he found his real hobby, which brought demands from many large centers of the New England states. It was the making of perforated patterns.

The making of these was rather interesting, but took considerable time at first. The initial step was to visualize his desire and then with drafting tools he would sketch the desired pattern. Then he would perforate the pattern. At first he had to do this by using a needle attached to a pencil and prick the design. Naturally it was tiresome and very impractical because of the length of time it took to complete a pattern. But he readily overcame this obstacle by purchasing an old sewing machine and converting it to his own particular use. As time went on he added arti-

rests and other devices which were a great help to him and amazed his hundreds of customers.

The patterns were made in two sizes and retailed, as many of you know, at fifteen and twenty cents each. He could not have sold them at that price, but the converted sewing machine allowed him to punch 25 patterns at once. These patterns were for pillow cases, bedspreads, scarfs, runners and many other uses. After his death it was discovered that he had over 1200 different designs in his collection.

Transferred to Cloth

But now that the pattern was made, how was he to get the design on the cloth? Well, he overcame that all right. He made a compound of wax, charcoal, and other ingredients. This would be melted out in a small metal box which would last nearly a year. You see, the advantage of his patterns was that they could be used over and over again. Present day patterns can be used but once.

No wonder too, that Rosaire Belanger, Pepperell's own typewriter artist, is so clever with his work as he is a grandson to Mr. Grebin. Rosaire is dedicating the first volume of his book "Typewriter Tapestry" soon to be published, to Mr. Grebin. It is in memory of his gratitude in teaching Rosaire drawing essentials which enabled him to do this work so successfully.

For thirty-five years Mr. Grebin made these designs for his many customers. We understand there are several of the first patterns he made still in the possession of our employees. No wonder they are so highly prized, and well they may be. With the passing of Mr. Grebin goes an original idea that matured to satisfy hundreds of customers by his quaint method of reproducing his work, which in the beginning was only a hobby, but developed to absorb all his time after leaving his work here at our mill.



Pauline, Yoland and Simone, are Mrs. Eva Boudreault's three daughters, and Leon, the youngest of the family, is the only son. Mrs. Boudreault, shown at the extreme left, is employed in Drawing-In Dept. Plant B of Fall River.

BUILDING WAS ACTIVE IN
BIDDEFORD LAST YEAR

Last year, the City government of Biddeford granted 90 building permits, amounting to approximately \$420,000 for construction. This cost of construction figure shows an increase of 45% over 1938. In other words, it means that our citizens have faith in this city in its factories and mills.

Yes, of course, the spending of this amount means considerable work for local contractors. This is fine. But behind all this, isn't there something else very important to this city and its people? About 80% of these permits were for homes. Homes where a part of the growing generation will receive its fundamental training for living. Homes where young minds will be molded to make better citizens, better understanding of nature through comradeship and the association of all that is good, which originates in every home. We must never lose thought of the fact that America's future lies in its youth. There is no better place for this to start than right in our own homes.

May we take this opportunity to congratulate these people for building these homes. It is easily understood, that it took not only courage for this undertaking, but lots of faith. After all, where can we find life more satisfactory than in a home where rest, peace, and the pursuit of happiness abounds.



LOITER AROUND THE SITE
OF MILL #14 IN THE
GOOD OLD DAYS
— AND YOU MIGHT LOSE
YOUR SCALP!

Located where Mill No. 14 is now, in Biddeford, or on the site of the first mill to be erected in 1884, was once a stone fort. It was built in 1693 on the banks of the Saco river as a refuge from the Indians. In August, 1703, a body of 500 French and Indians attacked and besieged the fort but there is no record that the fort was surrendered. From time to time, the Indians continued to attack but were repulsed. The last visit of hostile Indians to this locality was 1746 or 98 years before the first mill was built.

MAYBE YOU'LL WIN TOO!

It is easy to enter the Biddeford Mill suggestion contest. Each month a total of \$10.00 is given for the three best ideas submitted to your contest committee.

There are no strings attached. Just write your suggestion on one of the contest forms and drop it in the box. Blank forms may be obtained at any suggestion box.

Not long ago Mr. Napoleon Frechette entered a suggestion describing a little plate to go on the loom to help guide the empty bobbin into the bobbin can, reducing the chance of bobbins being jammed and also to keep them from falling on the floor, where they may cause injury if stepped on.

Mr. Frechette has been at the loom-fixing game a long time and saw where his little gadget could help prevent some of the things we have mentioned.



WHO'S WHO IN BIDDEFORD

THE BIDDEFORD STAFF

The following names are those of persons to tell your news and stories to. Tell them about yourself, as we all want to read about you. A few years from now you, too, will enjoy it, even more than today.

PREScott L. HOWARD Editor

SHEETING DIVISION

| PROCESS | SHIFT | MILL DEPT. | WORKER |
|---------------------|-------|---------------|--------------------|
| Carding | 1 | 1 | Sarah Whorworth |
| | 1 | 2 | Herbert Sears |
| | 1 | 4-5 | Paul Leblond |
| | 2 | 2 | Oscar Blanchette |
| | 2 | 4-5 | Raymond Lemire |
| | 3 | 4-5 | Maurice Thompson |
| Spinning | All | 24 | Joseph Cook |
| | 1 | 24-B | Emeline Lariviere |
| | 1 | 25-B-C | Andrew Jacques |
| | 1 | 34-H | Audrey Lefevre |
| | 1 | 35-A-B | Evelia Lagacix |
| | 1 | 34-A-B | John Tremayne |
| | 1 | 40-mil. | Ronald Lapointe |
| | 2 | 24-B | Fernand Lefevre |
| | 2 | 25-B-C | Evelyn Collard |
| | 2 | 34-B | Isabelle Picard |
| | 2 | 55-A-B | Rose Ballargeron |
| | 2 | 84-A-B | Henry Rimette |
| Slashing Weaving | 2 | Wind. | Gertrude Beaulieu |
| | 2 | Wind. | Noella Montpas |
| | 3 | 24-B | Germaine Melancton |
| | 3 | 25-B-C | Patrick Bergeron |
| | 3 | 34-B | Rose Roussette |
| | 3 | 74 | Warren Reed |
| | 3 | 84 | Jeanette Lajoie |
| | 3 | Wind. | Laura Dubois |
| | 3 | Wind. | Irene Lavertezzi |
| | All | 63-85 | Max Libby, Jr. |
| Cloth Room | 1 | 71-81-92-10-2 | John Trembley |
| | 1 | 53-82-83-93 | Myrtle Poore |
| | 2 | 71-81-92-10-2 | Armand Arel |
| | 2 | 53-82-83-93 | Anna Bergeron |
| | 2 | 131 | Alice McDowell |
| Cloth Room | 1 | 11 | Dorothy Adjutant |
| | 2 | 11 | Antoinette Hamiaux |

BLANKET DIVISION

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|------------|-----|-----|---------------------|
| Dye House | All | 33 | Raoul Pothier |
| Spinning | All | 151 | Marilyn Bernier |
| Weaving | All | 155 | Mary Palakovich |
| Napping | All | 132 | Ernest Gauthierette |
| Cloth Room | All | 132 | Alice Cote |
| | All | 16 | Rose Bourllet |
| | All | 16 | Catherine Huot |

TOWEL DIVISION

| | | | |
|------------|-----|---|---------------------|
| Cloth Room | All | 3 | Laurence Beauchette |
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MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT

Lewis Berry

Clothed for cool weather but with a warm smile is Maurice Parisien, Bobbin Machine Operator in No. 5 Mill at Biddeford.



SHEETING SPINNING—Biddeford

¶ Mr. Horace Brimelle of Dover, N. H., is now working in our mills. He likes it very well. Glad to have you with us, Mr. Brimelle.

¶ We are glad to have Rose Couture back with us again. Hope you have completely recovered from your illness.

¶ Welcome to our city, Mr. and Mrs. Labrecque. Happy to have you with us.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Baptiste Dumremont and family attended the wedding of Mrs. Dumremont's brother at Augusta a few weeks ago.

¶ Mrs. Beatrice Baker was out due to illness. We are glad to have her back.

¶ Juliette L... spinner in 25-C, was seen in Portland lately doing her shopping, so we believe that the wedding bells are very near.

¶ Marcel Neault keeps going to Newmarket, N. H., most every week end and it is not to visit relatives. Who's the girl, Marcel?

¶ Our Seated Hand Ernest Hudis has toned up his car for the summer, new tires, etc. Are you going up the mountains this year, Ernest? Well, happy motoring.

¶ Mrs. Alice Poirier has been absent from work several weeks on account of illness. We all hope you get well soon, Alice.

¶ Andre J. of 25-B-C finally got what he wanted for a long time. What is it, Andy? Oh, just one of those German hair-cuts.

¶ Mrs. Alice Durangille, spare-hand, is working with us during the absence of Alice P.

¶ Did you hear of that Dodge Andy has? Well, anyway he mentioned to Pagan lately and he learned a whole lot about the car. What is it, Andy, gas or oil?—both.

¶ M. Neault and A. Jacques, our two National Guardsmen, are very anxious to go to camp this year. They have been changed from the 12-inch guns to the anti-aircraft machine-gun battery.

¶ It sure looks as if Arthur Conture will have to try to get along with that bicycle he won for his kids lately. With that girl's bicycle by won, we believe he'll have to adopt a girl.

¶ There is one fellow in 25-B-C that can't very well take a joke, and very quick-tempered he is . . . well, anyway, "The Shadow Neault's."

¶ L. Tallec has returned to his former work on the 2nd shift.

¶ Henri Rimette of 34-A-B was a visitor in Lewiston the week of May 4th.

¶ Mr. Lacourier was transferred from second shift to third shift in the Spinning Department.

¶ Pauline Norman left the mill on April 19 and went to the Webber Hospital for an operation. She had her tonsils removed and is feeling much better now. She reported back for work in Room 74 Spinning, May 5. We are all glad to see her looking better and back with us once more.

¶ One more of our girl-spinners in 74 is out for a while, with a surprise waiting for us, we believe, when she comes back.

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- ¶ Alexandrine Lavigue, formerly of 55-A, is now employed in Room 54-B.
 ¶ Regina Russell is back to work after being out sick for two weeks.
 ¶ Mauda Cordeau's husband Raymond has returned home after being away receiving treatment at the New England Baptist Hospital in Boston.
 ¶ Edgar Claverague of Room 25-B was transferred to the third shift.
 ¶ Viola Fitaneiles of the same room was also transferred to Room 24.
 ¶ Yvette Leveiller and Edward Leclair have left for Canada on their honeymoon. On their way back they will visit New York and Boston. Congratulations.
 ¶ Cecille Ledoux is now spinning instead of cleaning. Good luck, Cecile.
 ¶ Wedding bells will soon be ringing for Fernand Pecteau, second-hand in 25-BC. It will happen on June 1. Well, congratulations, Fernand.
 ¶ Mrs. M. Nollette was a recent visitor in Berlin, N. H.
 ¶ Mrs. L. Cote of Room 25-B is confined to her home by illness.
 ¶ Mrs. A. Bissonette of Room 25-C second shift was recently transferred to the third shift.
 ¶ Marriage intentions of Miss Yvette Leveiller and Mr. Edward Leclair have been filed with the city clerk Armand Daquette. Congratulations to you both.
 ¶ There were quite a few Biddeford people who went to Boston recently, to see Paul Junior and Armstrong fight. Among those who went were: R. Durocher, A. Trudeau, A. Perreault, and J. Perreault. Gus Menard was supposed to go along with them but backed out the last minute. Anyway they say it is just as well that he didn't go because he would have gotten in the ring with Armstrong.
 ¶ A. Trudeau went to Franklin, Mass., Patriot's Day, to visit his aunt and reports a wonderful time.
 ¶ Marie Drapier's mother bought a house and store recently. What's the matter, Marie? If you don't tell us, how do you expect our trade? Here's wishing you success.
 ¶ Mr. Timothy Twomey and son John and daughters Mrs. Herbert Tibbets and Miss Julia Twomey of 25-B, the Winding Room, moved to Lexington, Mass., Patriot's Day and spent the week-end in Lowell.
 ¶ There's a certain lady in 84-A who is anxious to have the baseball season open here. Well, it won't be long now, Mrs. R.
 ¶ We have two new cloffers with us now, Mr. Gosselin and Mr. Sutty. Welcome to the Pepperell, boys.
 ¶ We are very sorry to lose Mrs. Delvina Gagnon who was transferred on the second shift. It's our loss but their gain.
 ¶ Mrs. Amanda Jaques' daughter Mrs. Philip Vir was operated on at the Webber Hospital last week. Hope she gets better real soon.
 ¶ Mrs. Chretien visited her daughter in Lewiston last weekend.



Miss Kathleen, 1½-year-old daughter of Michael Medusette, of the Sheet-Spinning. Her mother, Jeanne McAuliffe, is employed in the Blanket Cloth Room at Biddeford.



Mr. and Mrs. John Touchette were married Nov. 30, 1938. Both are employees of the Lewiston Sheet Factory. Mrs. Touchette is the former "Lil" Prechette. In the immediate background is Emma Patry, another employee of the Sheet Factory.

¶ "Gus" Menard claims that the excitement of a big city is too much for his nerves. This is the reason why he had to cancel his trip to Boston lately. Sorry, "Gus," you should be caged, because you are missing a great deal. Menard was the first one to speak about going to Boston. Being short of a half dollar, he had to work three hours for his father at Mill's Beach. But he was so excited that he lost it on his way back to the city. This is why he didn't show up. Poor "Gus."

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Henri Beauchemin of 25-B accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John Petit of 24-B went visiting to Boston, Manchester, Providence and Warwick on Patriot's Day.

¶ C. D. of 25-B, when will the wedding bells ring? We are anxious to know.

¶ Esther, where did you get the ring? Are you sure that your boy friend didn't visit Woolworth's some time ago?

¶ It seems Miss B. Tardif is in love with R. Carrier, as we often see them together. Or is it spring fever, Bertha?

SHEETING CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

¶ Mrs. Mary Goldthwaite has left the Cloth Room to open a sandwich shop at Biddeford Pool. She will be greatly missed by all her fellow workers. We wish her much success in her new work.

¶ Rose Lariviere, Alice Prechette, Janet Belanger, Mabel Frappier, Annette Brunelle and Dorothy Adjouant spent the holiday week-end in Boston. From all the reports a very interesting week-end was spent. At least they learned one thing and that was, "How to ride in subways without getting lost."

¶ We hope that the next time Annette will wear a hat that she won't have to close down the middle of Park Square. Or is that the latest fashion in Boston, Annette? I think I better not say any more, for who knows I may be "telling tales out of school," and then, what?

¶ We hear that Anges Sonard is still going to work at 6 o'clock instead of 7 o'clock. What matters, Anges?

¶ Tom Santorsola was a visitor in Boston recently.

¶ Marie Numan attended the banquet for the bowling team, held at the Cascade Lounge recently.

¶ Helen Koenigius visited her brother in Newport, R. I., recently.

¶ We are very glad to hear that Blanche Angers, who has been sick in the Trill Hospital, is much improved. We hope that she will be with us again soon.

¶ Bernadene Odeau was a visitor in Amesbury, Mass., recently.

¶ The girls of the Cloth Room are practically all moved into their new "home." Things are progressing rapidly and before long we think everything will be complete.

MECHANICAL DEPTS. — Biddeford

¶ Kenneth Fries, electrician, says that a magician in town recently tried to make his car disappear by taking off the back fenders on his car.

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- ¶ George Wallace, who for 35 years was employed here, has retired. He has held several positions in various departments.
- ¶ Jim Wilcox, box maker, has been moved from Building 20-1 to 11-2. This enables the Box Shop to be located on the floor below the Shoeing Cloth Room.
- ¶ Arthur Burnham has moved to his cottage at Fortune's Rocks.
- ¶ Mirel Cote spent an interesting week-end at Lewiston recently.
- ¶ Ernest "Honey" Cole, who was injured near his home several months ago, is recovering nicely from the accident.
- ¶ As Adelton Belisle's trophy of a fox hunt, he brings in a crow. He says it was an albino, but the boys in the shop say it was one of the black and white species.
- ¶ Arnold Beauchemin, who was injured in a fall, is getting along nicely.
- ¶ Dominic Denico, the Beau Brummel mason, is still laying brick and doing a good job at it too.
- ¶ Pete Bonrasas of the Pipe Department and John Colpitts, humidifier man, are recuperating in health.
- ¶ It's only Harley Leach and his happy little mouse—put, put, bang!
- ¶ The employees in all the departments express their sympathy to Fred Faucher in the death of his wife.

SHEETING CARDING — Biddeford

- ¶ William Clark is feeling himself again after a slight spell of grippe.
- ¶ Joe Cook is planning on taking a course in accounting. Why not take Shuey Poirier with you, Jim?
- ¶ Phil Martel got lost last weekend but finally showed up after a while.
- ¶ Joe Lee Jr. is practising for the 100-yd. dash by running to work mornings.
- ¶ Larry Goffe is selling automobiles in his spare time.
- ¶ Charles Wentworth believes Fred will be on the West Coast this summer.
- ¶ Fatty Duguay was seen trying out his new umbrella in a torrent rain storm.
- ¶ As we all know:—The Pepperell Bowling Teams held a combined banquet May 4th at the "Cascade Lodge," and a good time was had by all. Grand prizes were awarded to all Camps and Camps: Deserving and Non-deserving; Howler; and most of all Alley Basser-Uppers. This is all in fun, so—don't lead with your chin.
- ¶ We wish to extend our sympathy to Mrs. Irene Patterson whose mother passed away recently.
- ¶ "Jackie," our supposed "Movie Critic," had to take a day off after seeing "Dr. Cyclops." Jackie couldn't be getting soft? (Or could she?)
- ¶ We hear that Mr. Wilson, our "tiring boy," has started campaigning for next year's election. That's the boy, "Willy," the early bird always gets the worm. Have we got that twisted?
- ¶ We all think that "President Howard" is doing a "swell" job with this sheet. Keep up the good work, Pres.
- ¶ "Hamp" Capon may go to Florida this summer. You wouldn't be getting cold feet this time of the year, would you, Hamp?

"Soft-Ball Captain" Paul Larose has told "Yvonne truly," that he has no intention of getting married as yet. What's the matter, Paul, can't you make up your mind?

¶ A few weeks ago your loving reporter heard that "Hamp" Condon's dog had been near death from poisoning. Well! Hamp, here's one that certainly hopes that your dog has recovered long before this sheet is published.

¶ One P. L. H. almost turned to bribery our reporter the other day on account of a certain young lady. I certainly hope that she's worth it, Paul.

¶ Here's a warning to a certain young man of Rooms 211B, 221B, 43 and 42 respectively: Mr. P. L. H., you'll never get anywhere trying to drink the State of Maine—"Fountain of Youth" dry.

¶ The girls working in Mills, 4, 3 and 5 would like to hear how "Cap" Brady and Bill Sweetsir are making out with their fishing expeditions.

¶ All of our fellows just can't wait to meet a certain young lady who works in the Slush Room. She's called L. Maxine. Come out from behind Mr. Watson, "Maxine," old girl.

¶ Agnes Beaupre has gone to Canada to visit her Grandfather who was taken ill.

¶ Among those that have been transferred to the third shift are: Mary Marcell, Alice Bedard, Charles Lavigne, Odilia Cyr and Wilfred Jauelle.

¶ Our card-grinder, Oscar Blachette, who is reporter on the second shift, has been transferred to the third shift.

BLANKET WEAVING — Biddeford

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lusselin recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at the Pepperell Hall. A large group of relatives and friends filled the hall, congratulating them and wishing them many more happy years of married life.

¶ We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Annie Desrosiers on the death of her father.

¶ Little Dan Cupid has returned to the active list this spring: uniting in marriage Cecile Laingage to George Bouillard; Beatrice Morris to Fernand Provencier; Marie Lepine to Lucien Desrosiers; Blanche Paquette to Louis Anastasoff; Therese Ruel to Henri Plette; Germaine Boucher to Reynald Lavoie; Flore Laberte to Andre Barnard.

¶ We are glad to see that Jessie Ellis has recovered from her sickness.

¶ Henry Vaillancourt is the proud father of a daughter. Mrs. Vaillancourt was formerly employed in 13-2.

¶ Henry Margerison, our second-hand on the third shift, was a recent visitor in his home town in Philadelphia.

¶ Yvette Boucher has returned to work after having been out a few weeks due to illness.

¶ Reginald L. surely has big ideas of going players in baseball, but can he make the grade? We wonder too!

¶ Rose Jacques has returned to work after having been out a few weeks due to illness.

¶ Herbert Aguirre was a recent visitor in Boston.



This is a group of the Lewiston Wallace Parochial School girls of the year—1947. We were unable to learn just how long ago this picture was taken, but no doubt many of our readers will know. In the first row may be seen Margaret Coll and Helen Moore Sherry. In the second row is Margaret Cromm, and Helena Johnson appears. In the third row, to any reader who can correctly name the rest of the group the "Pepperell Sheet" will award a prize of two box seats to the opening game of the Bleachers Soft Ball Team.



Skippy, 3-year-old pedigree Boston Bull, whose master is Amedee Cote, of Room 175 at Biddeford. Skippy eats toast, coffee and donuts every morning, wears a sweater or blanket, and listens to his favorite radio program.

TOWEL CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

- ¶ Mrs. Francis Tiltberris was absent three days recently, due to illness.
- ¶ Marybelle Pelletier has quite a knack for composing songs and poems. Ask her to recite the one about the little Dutch slaves. Her collaborator, Ruth Hobkins, provides the musical settings!
- ¶ Why does Juliette Turcotte blush so, when that tall, dark and handsome admirer of hers is around?
- ¶ Who is Olive? Answer to be given next month.
- ¶ J. Maurice "Pingu" Leneire is getting ready for a busy season. He has been quite active painting and overhauling his motor boat "The Penguin." Now, Maurice, don't make the same mistake you did last summer by throwing out the anchor without any rope attached to it.
- ¶ Mrs. Lilyan DuPont was a visitor in Boston recently, on a shopping tour of the Elub, accompanied by her husband Andre DuPont.
- ¶ Mrs. Yvonne Pomerleau visited in Manchester, N. H., during the recent holiday.
- ¶ To all collectors of fancy neckwear, I would suggest that you get in touch with Carroll Nelson, our Tufting helper, and ask to see the colorful collection of neckties which he possesses. It is a truly magnificent array and one, I am sure, of which even Adolphe Menjou, supposedly the best dresser, would indeed be proud to possess.
- ¶ A helpful hint to Ray Lariviere: Please try and learn another song, and let up a bit on the Hawaiian duty, that you chirp for 7½ hours a day.
- ¶ We are quite sure that if Borrell Misevich, director of the Harmonica Rascals, could hear Carroll Nelson play during the open hour that he would sign him to appear on his radio show. Keep up the good work, Carroll, and some day, well, who knows???
- ¶ Mrs. Grace Gehner, our cutting table operator, is planning a trip to Washington, D. C., in the very near future.
- ¶ Allene Demeule often is heard singing about the washwoman, or is it the "Wash man?"
- ¶ Mrs. Zita Hughes spent the recent holidays visiting in Adams, Mass., and enjoyed the trip through the famous Berkshires tremendously.
- ¶ Mrs. Elsie Teresa Boston entertained her Tuesday Evening Club recently, and provided very amusing entertainment for her guests in the form of a family tableoid with her charming daughter and son doing several dance and song numbers.
- ¶ Laurent Ebevey motored to Manchester, N. H., recently and spent three days in that fair Granite State city.
- ¶ Hey! but what sweet smiles adorn the faces of our future brides. They keep smiling and giggling every time we mention the wedding march. Did you ask me who they are? Well, forgive me for ignoring such an important thing as names. So, here we have the three little ladies. Take a bow girls: Miss Jeannette Pomerleau, Miss Jeanne Allaire, and Miss Pauline Leggion. Boy! what a trio.
- ¶ Mrs. Kay Simoens is deeply interested in the political situation in the state and predicts great things for her "party" in the next election.

BLANKET CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

CUPID STILL ON THE JOB

¶ George Jones of the shipping crew married Margaret Downey May 4th. A testimonial supper was given for George at the K. of C. Hall. Among those present were Tommy O'Brien, Henry Hill, Frank LaFountain, John Sheehan and Maynard Harten. All friends join in wishing George and Margaret best wishes.

¶ The minister will have another job before long, for one of our Sample girls, named Annie Twomey, is now engaged to Clyde Cluff of the packing crew. Best of luck, Annie and Clyde.

BACK TO WORK

¶ Rose Bouffet is back to work after being out taking care of her mother-in-law, who was operated on recently. We missed you, Rose.

¶ "Chic" Johnson, broken leg cured, has come back to work, caring to go. Glad you're back, "Chic."

¶ Austin Stevens has returned to his work as machinist. It's good to see Austin around again.

WE MISS YOU

¶ Alice Hobkins, a grand sport, who has been out of work on account of illness, is reported to be doing nicely.

¶ So many have inquired about Annabelle Lanzier that we thought a good many will be glad to know that she is getting along fine. Annabelle is well liked and missed by all.

NO "SUN" BUT A "SON"

¶ Mr. Leslie Martin and family visited Washington for ten days. Upon being asked whether he had a good time Leslie's reply was something like: "Wonderful. Washington is beautiful, but the weather . . . the only 'sun' I saw was the sun I had with me."

¶ Alice Roy and Gabrielle Maillet visited Boston recently. While there they ran into Alphonse Roberge. It's a small world, eh what?

NO NAMES MENTIONED

¶ There's a cute little miss who was seen in the movies on a certain Friday night enjoying one of Hop-a-Long Cassidy's pictures. She sure was excited, jumping up and down in her seat and clapping her hands when our hero, "Hoppy" got his man.

¶ What's this, another girl wearing a diamond? (Or is it?) We'll keep the name quiet for a while, but I warn you, not for long.

¶ Don't try calling 212 without first telling her your name or she'll tell you a shing or two. (I know.)

¶ Paul Murphy attended the Chenard-Boisvert wedding on May 6th.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Lariviere motored to Boston recently.

¶ It won't be long before you see the burns on A. P.'s arms. You've guessed it, he has opened the Pine Grove once more, and soon can be fry! (We mean the clams and not himself.)

¶ Marguerite Hughes visited New York recently. She had a wonderful time. Leave it to Maggie.

¶ If anyone should ask "Spud" what one wall said to another he'd probably answer, "Meet you at the corner."

¶ Then there's the story of what one toe said to the other: "Don't look now but a heel is following us."

¶ Cecile Janelle visited in Mass. and R. I. recently. Glad you had a good time, Cecile.



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Master Robert Dubreuil, son of Mrs. Laurette Dubreuil, Doffer in 34-B Spinning at Biddeford.

BLANKET SPINNING — Biddeford

Well, spring cleaning is all over in the girls' dressing room. What do you know about that? Even Gabrielle A.'s old shoes are gone with the wind. Reminds us of the story, with an old pair of shoes. Oh, pardon us, we forget about that maple doughnut, too!!!

Come on, Gaby, be a good sport and take it on the chin and smile.

We all hope you won't have too many flat tires with that nice Oldsmobile of yours, Mrs. Y. Croteau.

The girls on the winters of 15-3 are hoping that Mrs. Grumander will stay for a while among them, as it reminds us of old times, eh Betty?

What do you know about Janet Teteault? She couldn't make up her mind if she was going to the Bowlers' Banquet or to that swell tour in Springvale. She finally made up her mind and went to Springvale. Of course you know why, because she could bring her boy friend along and the rest of the gang. (Some jinjerling.)

Look who we have in the sport column. He is no other than Roland Begin of 15-3. He finally decided to play soft ball. He is a member of the Pepperell Team. Good luck, Roland.

The employees of 15-1 are more than glad to welcome the girls of 15-1 who are working on the third shift. They certainly can take it as we never fail to find them smiling in the early morning.

Red cheeks are a sign of health but sometimes Mary Cowgill comes to work with one cheek healthier than the other.

"Edwina Fausie" Rutha was seen looking at second-hand reducing machines. Run up the five points and back. It's cheaper, Eddie. Guaranteed to lose weight of (Fanny) back.

Irene Berthiaume is looking rather pale these days. What is the trouble? Could it be that you are missing your best pal Laurette? Laurette has been transferred to the third shift. Cecile Zeminski and Eddie Rugh walking towards Portland every Sunday afternoon. Some like, eh girls?

Mrs. "Shorty" McAuley has been ill for quite some time. We know you'll have your nose in this book, Shorty, so we want to tell you we certainly miss you and hope to see you back soon.

Wow! When it comes to picking them leave it to Aura Labbe. Say Aura, who's that Grease Monkey you are seen with lately?

Laurette Archambault, Pepperell's debutante No. 1, seen rubbing the crook at a certain dance hall. It's better than rubbing the grave isn't it, Laurette? Or is it?

A party was held for the Hys' Ryes' (Bowling Team) at the home of Mrs. Belliveau last month. Those attending were Eddie Rutha, Lilyan Picher, Laurette Archambault, Yvette Grenier, Mary Polakewich and the hostess who proved herself to be most entertaining, Mrs. "Sunshine" Belliveau.

Rutha Rutha spent the weekend at Chelsea. She visited her fiance, Waldo C.

At last the boys of 15-3 have organized their softball team. With the ex-concripts and ex-army men we should be the champs. The only room where you are used!



This is the result of a fishing trip by Walter Long and party. A fine mess! Walter is an employee of the Lewiston Machine Shop.

Aura Labbe motored to Providence. Who was it this time, Aura?

Mrs. Fortunat Poulet is out from a recent accident. We all wish you a quick recovery.

Fond was never wasted when Blanche Garneau was working, but now she's gone and we are looking for another girl to replace her.

Jane St. Ours has left our department. Guess what for?

"Speed" Ferguson should be glad spring is here. It can't be much fun pushing a bicycle in the snow, eh Speed?

Yes Sir! We have it—Lively Morin should be called "Tarned"; when she yells, everyone responds.

You can tell spring is here. Romeo Blinette talks about much all day to the girls. Take it easy, Romeo. You have a steady!

Some girls get all the breaks! Yvette Arcand can eat four chocolate bars a day, and not gain one pound.

If you care to hear local whistling, listen to Dean P. He sings like a canary wanting to be an eagle!

Songs of 15-3 and who represent them:

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| At your best and talk | Roland St. Ours |
| My heart belongs to Daddy | Edwina Rutha |
| Say yes | Cecile Zeminski |
| Our love | Mary Cowgill |
| The devil with the devil | Emma Carr |
| Roll out the barrel | Rose Cantara |
| Everybody's doing it | Yvette Grenier |
| Hi Yo Silver | Rochelle Blinette |

SHEETING WEAVING — Biddeford

During the recent tidal wave at Camp Ellis and Old Orchard, A. Poulet, laundress in 81-A, was kept busy at his cottage carrying furniture on the second floor.

Eduibe Dubois and Edgar Belanger who work in 92 are reported as ardent fishermen.

Our cloth boy R. Larose in 81-A is proving himself to be as good a fisherman as a hunter.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Elsie LaCroix of 90 Weaving in the recent death of his mother.

SHEETING SLASHING — Biddeford

Rose Giguere and family motored to Boston recently where they had the pleasure of seeing the Circus at Boston Garden.

Robert Giguere has been seen running towards Wells every week end and we thought he might be going to enter the marathon at Old Orchard this summer, but John Collins says he thinks it might be a young lady.

Question of the hour. What was in the parcel that Mrs. Lilloe dropped on Prospect St.?

Mr. Doire, second-hand on the second shift, recently bought some new fishing equipment as recommended by Mr. Johnson, but as yet has had no bites.

Joseph Bourne has become quite a bowler this past winter and we understand he is getting a team together for another season.

Emmett Kearney the charming dancer of the Dress Room is all smiles since the opening of the pier.

Harold Labreton is collecting nickels. He finds that by putting a nickel in his car he doesn't have to crack it at the Col-Square.



Four daughters of Mrs. Mabel Leclair, who works in 24-B at Biddeford. They are all cute, don't you think so?

WHO'S WHO IN FALL RIVER

REPORTERS
FOR THE PEPPERELL SHEET

FALL RIVER

CARD ROOM

Bertrice Dupuis
WEAVE ROOM — Cotton

Phyllis LePage
WEAVE ROOM — Rayon

Lea Clinton
CLOTH ROOM — Cotton

Kay Easly
SPINNING ROOM

John Pelleter
MACHINE SHOP

Edmond J. Laval
CLOTH ROOM — Rayon

Viola Bartsch

Doffing & Creeling

Weaver

Slashing

Inspector

Head Drawing-in Girl

Stock Clerk

Inspector

WEAVING DEPARTMENT

MILL "B" — Fall River

¶ Olivette Proton is going to get married sometime in the Fall. She hasn't set the date for her wedding yet. Maybe she is keeping it a secret.

¶ Leo Soares is the proud Father of an 8½-lb. son.

¶ Summer is just around the corner. Blanche is rushing the season by wearing his palm beach suit to work.

¶ Fred Richard's degree team, The Daughters of Isabella, received a cup for their splendid performance at St. Ann's School Auditorium.

¶ Phyllis LePage received a medal and the letter "Y" at a banquet held at the Y. M. C. A. May 10th. She received the medal for being a member of the winning volleyball team and the letter for her efforts in the weekly events featured at the Y. M. C. A.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. St Louis have been very happy at their work lately. We found the reason to be a new grandson.

¶ Wilfred is always making eyes at the Battery Girls. You had better be careful Popeye, some of them might take you seriously.

¶ Melita Levesque is taking a rest. We all miss you Milie and will be glad to welcome you back to work.

¶ Diane Fournier surprised us all by getting married. A party was held for all of her friends at the new home of the now Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Levesque, and a breakfast set was presented to her at that time from her friends.

Ralph Sawyer, of the Middleford Mill Shop. In one of those "off the record" poses, Ralph puts the leather covers on the rolls for the Spinning Department.



CARDING DEPARTMENT — Fall River

¶ We wish to extend our sympathy to our second hand, Mr. Ryan, on his recent bereavement.

¶ The boys on the bowling team took a trip to Boston a few weeks ago to see a baseball game. They are eagerly looking forward to the banquet, which is to be held on May 26th.

¶ Have you met the new comer in our department? He is Alfred Perrason. He likes his present job, but hopes to get a promotion real soon. Rumors are that he is quite a talented musician.

¶ John Soares is known to be an accomplished dancer. You will always find him at Lincoln Park on Saturday night.

¶ Anne Dupuis was as charming as usual when she was maid of honor at her sister's wedding recently.

¶ Miss Beatrice Dupuis will be leaving to spend the weekend in Boston to celebrate her brother's birthday. We are sure that everyone will have a good time, for she is always the life of the party.

MACHINE SHOP — Fall River

¶ When we hear Joe Carpenter talk about that 1,800-lb. horse in Little Compton, we can't help thinking it's a lot of horse.

¶ Bill Harrington says, "We'll put that Louis Deape out of business yet," but to date, neither he nor Mr. Whalen have made any impression with their string of fish.

¶ LePage, Rose Carpenter, is busy these nights building a nest for his son and future daughter-in-law. You can give them both our regards, Fred.

¶ Our sea faring machinist, Roy Connors, joins his mates this evening, along with John Peck of the Painting Department.

¶ The reverses the British are experiencing in Europe have a tendency to make Tom Reid a trifle maury. "That's all propaganda," he'll tell you, but tell him of a victory, eh, that's the berries.

¶ The Shop's prophet is, of course, Henry Dumas; discussion of any subject will always bring him out with a chapter on Moses.

¶ It's a pity that we in the East haven't hog calling contests, for the Shop rates a full fledged candidate, Roy Connors. He is certainly wasting his talent here.

Joseph Dherinot and Elphe Caon, who are in the yard transportation division at Lewiston. Both men have been employed 18 years and at present are assigned to Truck No. 2.



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WEAVE ROOM MILL "A" — Fall River

¶ This is the month of the blushing June bride, who is always as pretty as a treasurer's report in black ink. We don't know why so many girls get married in June, but it's probably because the fellows ask them in June. Nevertheless, we wish to extend congratulations from all of us to Odile Michaud who is going to walk down the middle aisle on June 22nd. Much happiness to you both.

¶ William Jones, a battery boy, claims he can take all kinds of motors apart and put them together again. He has studied the full course of Deisel Motors Corporation. He will be married May 30th. Congratulations to you from all of us.

¶ Strike up the band, Claude Mordan has intentions of getting married soon. He keeps asking the men how married life is.

¶ On April 20th a double celebration was fixed. Mr. and Mrs. August Schleemeyer of Rock Street, North Westport, celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary, and Miss Blanch Beauchene became the bride of Mr. Richard L. Manchester. The wedding breakfast was served at the home of Mr. Schleemeyer for both parties. Guests were present from New Hampshire, Plymouth, Boston, Providence, Middleboro, Mattapoisett, North Dartmouth, New Bedford, Taunton, Somerset and Fall River. A very enjoyable time was had. Many happy returns Mr. and Mrs. Schleemeyer and best wishes to you both Mr. and Mrs. Manchester. Mr. Schleemeyer is a Rayon weaver.

¶ Walter Daviau could tell us more about fixing a radio than the man who built it. He ought to. After all the money he spent on learning the trade, he could have bought a factory.

¶ Henry Chauveau is always smiling now that his girl friend came back from Canada after a long absence. Don't let her get away again Henry, or you'll be looking for a new girl friend.

¶ Karem William brings one sandwich to work every night. We wonder where he puts it all.

¶ Telephore Beaudry, one of our Fixers, wishes he owned a mechanical man so he could help him fix Looms.

¶ Wilfred Rhone has in mind where he will spend his vacation this year but he isn't telling anyone yet. Well, we hope it isn't in the Hudson River Willie.

¶ The problem kid claims he can answer questions for you the easiest and most accurate way. Why not give him a question and let him worry his head off.

¶ Albert (Jitterbug) Normandieu saves all his energy for when he goes home now. He walks to save carfare.

¶ Is it a smile that Gabriel Santos has on his face all the time or is it a mask?

¶ Louise Lapointe is back again after an appendix operation. He says he is feeling fine now.

¶ Leo Cormier is in his glory now because he's found a new place to fish. Instead of catching one fish every hour, now he catches two every four hours.

¶ August Perry wants to know who is the best battery boy in Pepperell and why am I?

¶ Consoline Picard quoted, "Give me a good game of baseball and no heck with the rest."

¶ James Hallal will give anyone a match pulling wrist at any time. He claims to be the best on the third shift. His favorite sport is baseball.

¶ William Henshaw has had something to brag about since he received an attendance certificate from the World's Fair last year.

¶ What we want to know is why does Henry Gaudet keep his hair combed all the time? If it's something important Henry, keep it to yourself. After all, we like to mind our own business sometimes.

¶ Alphonse Fournier handles his Looms quite roughly, maybe he argues with someone and then takes it out on the Looms. It could be possible.

¶ Armand (Muscles) Fortier has fixed one X-D Draper Loom that runs 120 picks per minute. He spends a lot of his time bragging about his good looks. Keep it up Armand before old age creeps on you.

¶ Joe (Pepper) Martin has a hobby of taking care of chickens, approximately 300 of them.

¶ When Happy Holiday takes his overcoat off, you'll know that summer is here.

¶ Ever since John Hallal raised a mustache, he acts like quite a slicker. He's always dressed up and cleanly shaven, but no place to go. He will play softball with the Roughriders A. C. this year. He is Vice-President of that Club. His only ambition is to make champions out of the team this year.

¶ Henry Convean's hobby is keeping pigeons. He has a full line of them and he says they are something to brag about, and if not they are good eating anyhow.

¶ It was a close call for Leo Doucette who had been very sick in bed, and was barely able to move when the Undertaker put flowers on his door. It wasn't until later that the Undertaker realized he had made a mistake by bringing them to the wrong house. Boy, that was something to worry about, hey Leo?

¶ Belated congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Robillard on the birth of a baby boy, born January 23rd, 1940.

¶ Attention everyone; charming, adorable Mary Sullivan breaks into the news and how? Kidnapped. One of our thoughtful Overseers wishing to save Mary many footsteps explained thoroughly the means of using the Main Office elevator. Mary listened attentively and being satisfied with the details, embarked on the elevator. Somehow or other, probably one little detail, Mary was going up and down, pressing the button, trying this and that in order to get out, but all her efforts were in vain. Finally after she had pressed the automatic button a gentleman from the Main Office came to Mary's rescue. She related her story to him and they both had a good laugh. Early that same evening Mary received a telephone call. The party asked Mary if she had enough insurance on herself, or if she wished to take out more, especially kidnapping insurance. "No," answered Mary. "I have all the insurance that I can afford right now and besides who would want little me?" "Are you sure you have enough insurance?" the party asked. "Indeed I have," answered Mary. Mary never dreamed that this same party knew all about the elevator experience of the same day. Tell us Mary—how long were you stranded?

¶ Peppertell's If Man, Manuel Cabral, would have hit on the horses the other day, if he had bet on the proper horse, that is, his first hunch. He'd win every day if, well, what's the use?

¶ Thank you gentlemen for your fine co-operation. I'm sure everyone enjoys reading your news items contributed to this sheet.

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Roses are red, violets are blue, etc. So says Loraine Koh, niece of Alma Cole, Spinner in 21-B at Biddeford.



Mr. Eaton, Overseer of Spinning Mill B at Fall River.
Sketched by Mr. G. Whalen.

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† We have a long holiday weekend ahead. You have just a few more weeks to plan for the most exciting holiday of the year. The Fourth of July means excitement galore. You'll want clothes for the beach, dresses for traveling, slips, aprons, pajamas, nightgowns, shorts, union suits, shorts, turkish towels, etc. Advertise Pepperell Products by telling your friends about these products. Be a salesman or a saleswoman as well as a maker of these fabrics. The next time you go downtown, ask for Pepperell Products.

"B" MILL CLOTH ROOM—Fall River

† Have you wondered at the pleased look on Delia's face the past few weeks? Well, she is now an American citizen. Congratulations, Delia.

† Who is Breezer of the "B" Cloth Room? Can you tell us little Breezer?

† Telling the girls there was too much hot air in the Cloth Room almost caused Mr. Horne to lose his plug of tobacco.

† Al is down on his knees to Dot these days. Only tying her shoes.

† I wonder why Irene stayed out the 8th and 9th of May?

† Have you heard how Dot went riding on a ferris wheel with one of our boys? How did you enjoy it, Dot?

† Lucy Holland has been out for a few days because of sickness. We hope she will be feeling well and back soon.

† Another person on the sick list is Sadie Neilan's brother who has been confined to a Boston Hospital. We are all more than pleased to hear that Pat is well on the road to recovery Sadie.

† This reporter wonders if any one saw how nice the Gang in "B" Cloth Room looked the Friday before Mother's Day? Everyone had either a red or white paper carnation in her hair, and they looked very nice. "B" Cloth Room is a pretty nice place.

SPINNING "B" MILL—Fall River

† Mrs. Helen Mercier, employed in the Winding Dept., second shift, has returned from a trip to Montreal. She reports having a very enjoyable time.

† Mr. Thomas Alisey had a bad fall when leaving his home, coming to work, and suffered a lame back for a few days. He has now returned to work, fully recovered.

† Mrs. Mary Lamaree has also returned to work after an absence of several days, due to a bad cold.

† Mr. Arthur Desmarais, who spent a three months' vacation with his Mother has returned to San Francisco.

† Stopping work early on account of a shortage of yarn in the Winding Dept., gave Mrs. Lillian Roussel an opportunity to do some shopping. We hear she has purchased a complete Spring outfit. We hope the weather proves favorable, Lillian.

† At last Romeo has found his Juliette. It is rumored that Mr. Romeo Legage will lead a happy bride to the altar before the month of May is over. Congratulations Romeo.

† Mr. Gustave Berist who was operated on several weeks ago at the Truesdale Hospital, has returned to work.

† Mr. Arnold Wilkinson of the Slacking Department is a little bit off color these days. Would the reason be his losing at the races? Well, cheer up, Arnold, better luck next time.

† Our most sincere sympathy is offered Mr. August Lazotte on the death of his son, Roland. Mr. August Lazotte is employed in the Spinning Department on the third shift.

† Mrs. Laura Goulden, employed in the Winding Department, will be absent from work a couple of weeks. She is taking a much needed rest.

† Mr. Armand Philibert, son of Mrs. Rose Philibert, was tendered a stag party at the Bijou Restaurant, in honor of his coming wedding. Dinner was served and dancing was enjoyed throughout the evening.

† Friendly advice to Mr. Alfred Quellette, elevator operator—Be on the spot when the bell rings.

† We wonder why Mr. L. has earned the name of Rip Van Winkle. Is it because he is so wide awake? What do you think about it Mr. L.?

† Mrs. Dorilda Quellette, employed in the Spinning Department, has returned to work after a long illness. We are glad to see you back again and looking so well Mrs. Quellette.

† Mr. Alfred Smith has had the telephone installed in his home recently and he finds it very convenient, especially on certain occasions when he forgets to set his alarm clock and is late for work.

† Mrs. Blanche Gauthier and Mrs. Lillian Roussel, our two plump girls of the Winding Department, looked very attractive in their new spring apparel. Blanche you did look cute with that new hair-dress.

† Mrs. August Bouchard, wife of our Second Hand, won first prize at a whist party recently. Congratulations Mrs. Bouchard.

† It is the biggest mistake in the world to think that you are working for someone else. Try to realize that someone else is paying you for working for yourself.

† Grandpa!—An Englishman exclaimed, "My Great Grandfather was made an Earl by the King whose likeness you see on this coin."

† The American replied, "That's nothing, the Indian whose head you see on this coin, made an angel out of my Great Grandfather."



Roger Boyer, 7-year-old son of Yvonne Boyer, employed in the Blanket Department at Biddeford. He is shown here after his First Communion at St. Andre's Church.

WHO'S WHO IN LEWISTON

THE LEWISTON STAFF

HARRY J. VAUGHN, Lewiston Editor

REPORTERS

| | |
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| ARMAND BRUNTON | Natal |
| GERALD FLYNN | Storehouse |
| FRANK WOODRICK | Grey Room |
| THOMAS CUNNINGHAM | Dye House |
| ROSAIRE PAQUETTE | Napping Room No. 1 |
| FRANK LONGLEY | Frame Room |
| CARL PROCTOR | Machine Shop |
| EUGENE MADDEN | Boss Shop |
| HANNO DUSTON | Special Cloth Department |
| ROBERT CAMERON | White Folding Room |
| JOHN MCKENNA | Colored Folding Room |
| WILLIAM O'CONNELL | Packing Room |
| WILLIAM WEISS | Shoe Goods Department |
| ELLEN LAKE | Sheet Factory |
| BLAESTE SAWYER | Sheet Factory |
| KATHERINE DOLRICK | Sheet Factory |
| ANN CROWLEY | Sheet Factory |

SHEET FACTORY — Lewiston

- Q Did someone tell us that Tony was taking boxing lessons to keep up with a certain young lady called Red?
- Q Wonder if Lucy has the famous book out as a rental still?
- Q Attention Papers: From now on five cents extra will be charged if you want pie on Thursday morn. Florence says she is not offering free delivery service.
- Q Has anyone found the missing dollar? If so, it belongs to a certain very quiet young lady. See your reporter for further information.
- Q Is there any photographs that have been sent in and that have not yet been in the Sheet, please be patient, they are taking them as they come in.
- Q Have you seen the Merry-Go-Round that the stitchers have upstairs?
- Q Fred Harlow was seen among the spectators at the recent fight in Boston between Paul, Jr. and Armstrong. Freddy agrees it was some fight.
- Q Adelora Tappan's name should be changed to Speed.
- Q What is the story about the Cinema, Florence? You seem to have all the pressurized details. Let us in on it.
- Q Betsy Casey says, please do not put her name in the Sheet. We won't budge. It's a promise.
- Q Margaret Clabby has been trying hard to gain weight. Might try putting irons on your shoes. Margaret



The many friends of Alfred Martin will be glad to see his picture. Freely is recuperating from a long illness and we will be glad to welcome him back as clerk in the Blanket Weave Room at Biddeford.



Little "Miss Sac" looks quite bushy-furred. She is Beverly Wright, 6-year-old cousin of Ruth Robbins, Blanket Weaver in Biddeford.

- Q Poor Jane Sawyer is heartbroken because her cat ate her canary. Cheer up, Jane, the girls started a collection to give your canary (Cat!) a decent burial.
- Q Margaret Basley has been absent from her work on account of illness, for some time now. We all hope you are feeling better and will be back with us soon, Margaret.
- Q Francis Shufeldt is a very proud father these days. His young son has his first tooth.
- Q June 1st, Marion Keels will become the bride of Dennis Cook. Best of luck Marion.
- Q Ernest Chaussonet is quite the young man. He has been seen strolling through the park with two young ladies. More power to you, Ernest.
- Q Nellie Nellie did get to Boston after all. She tells us she had a marvelous time. Nice going, Nell.
- Q All of us girls think the Coca Cola machine is pretty swell. Many thanks to Mr. Harrison.
- Q We hear that Emily is learning to drive a car these days. Is it the fellow who takes pictures, Emmy?
- Q What are you going to do with all those brushes, Jeanette?
- Q He was a real good salesman?
- Q We hear Steve Delekta's daddy doesn't believe in advertising his farm products and why should he? Just look at Steve, his healthy looking wife, and you know his products are good.
- Q Marie Anne Phillipson is hard as nails. When she left her band the other day she only laughed at it, while Lulu Levesque, playing purse, was shivering like a leaf in the breeze.
- Q About this new process in the sheet room. We people wonder if the girls are going to work feet up and heads down. Li sei watch out for the swing dresses.
- Q Adelora Bilodeau, one of our stitchers, had company from California recently, Mr. Wilfred Lauthier. He is Val's grandfather and they met for the first time since Mr. Lauthier left Lewiston 22 years ago. We hope he enjoyed his visit here in Maine.
- Q We hear Thony Marin is getting married soon. Well, good luck, Don. But you don't know what you're letting yourself in for. Ha, ha.
- Q Believe it or not, Laura Hunter has gained 15 lbs. since she went on a diet.
- Q We are glad to see Mrs. Stella Young back with us. We're hearing a lot about her baby son whom Stella is very proud of.
- Q Blanche Belles and Winola Monty are looking for competitors in tennis this summer. Only good players need apply. Male competition preferred. And why not?
- Q We are sorry to hear about Mary Stankowski's illness. We wish you the best of luck, Mary and hope you will be back with us soon.
- Q Did you know that Betty Losalil is quite an actress? You must go and see her act her stuff sometimes.
- Q We have been hearing a lot about Ida LaFontaine recovering for home. We will be up to see you when it's done. Ida (Continued on next page)

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- Lou Lévesque's telephone keeps her busy these days. But she is true to her one and only D.B.
 ■ Aida Fiumi is working at the Sheet Factory on the night shift. She likes the work very much but her poor husband is so lame she's walking in circles.
 ■ Bob Frechette, busi-packer (ask Bob) and his two helpers Lou Lemieux and Fred Harlow, are contemplating a fishing trip in the near future to take place in the vicinity of Buckley's beach.
 ■ Frank (see you in Florida) Domayon has reopened his Checkader for the summer months, and with his new special tenderloin steak sandwich, is ready to give serious competition to his arch rival, the Osgood Place.

COLORED FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

- Don't forget Margaret, absence makes the heart grow fonder.
 ■ Pete Michaud's garden is coming along fine.
 ■ Ernest Frechette says he is a free man waiting for a chance to sign up with some Ball Team.
 ■ Carl Wood is getting tired of walking to work. He was seen looking in a local automobile dealer's window.
 ■ Ralph Veerville, age Jim Farley of Ward 4, thinks Dewey will come out ahead in Auburn.
 ■ We can still hear the wedding bells, Pauline and Johnny, Lou's of Jack.
 ■ Wanda had better give up going to the club on Friday night and do a little detective work.
 ■ How does everybody like Lou's new Spring outfit?
 ■ Is there a hole in your shoe? Better see Grace.
 ■ We all welcome Helen Taylor to our Department.
 ■ John Turner has left this department to work in the White Finishing Room. Rita can't get over it.
 ■ We now close with H. Walker's White Perch.

MACHINE SHOP — Lewiston

- Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Woolhead, a son, Daniel Joseph, April 27th. Ed is an electrician in the shop.
 ■ Frank Jackson is now employed at the shop as a pipe. Frank was formerly at the Bates Mill.
 ■ Did Joe Blodout ever tell you about his oil burner? He will if you'll listen. He claims it is entirely automatic and all you have to do is keep the tank filled. As if that wasn't something in these times.
 ■ Frank Wellman, who is an ardent fisherman, can't figure out some of the government maps. Especially when there is a lake where there shouldn't be or there isn't one where there should be. Or perhaps a river runs upside.
 ■ Louis Caron isn't the complaining kind. When his truck caught fire he didn't say a word. But the other night someone stole it and when Louis went to report it he found the telephonic wires cut. Just how much is a guy supposed to stand, anyway?
 ■ Léonard Bilodeau was in Canada over the week end, May fourth. He reports prices are high, especially on food, and that there is no drafting as yet.



Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nielot with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bourgeault, formerly with Pepperell at Biddeford, now located in Manila.



George Ballouzen

BOX SHOP — Lewiston

■ Bob Doyle is wearing a big smile these days and the reason is the arrival of an eight-pound son into the Doyle family. Congratulations, Bob, to you and the Mrs.

■ Sitting at ease in the front seat of his new Plymouth, puffing away on his favorite brand of cigar, and with friend wife doing the driving, Babe Renaud can be seen any Sunday morning now starting out for one of the many beautiful summer resorts here in Vacation Land.

■ Johnny Coughlin attended the recent Tri-county meeting of the American Legion held in Rumford. Johnnie says it is surprising what effect the spring water in that part of the country has on a fellow.

■ Leo and Mélodie Rancourt, the singing brothers of the Box Shop, took a prominent part in the concert staged by the Cleopatra Society on May 4 at City Hall.

■ And speaking of singing, Gene Moore claims that in his younger days, when he resided down Ellis Center way, he was known as the boy soprano and made several personal appearances before the different granges and other societies in that section.

■ Lucien Pelletier is in big demand at this time of the year. Lou is one of the finest teachers of auto driving to be found around here. He has great patience with beginners, especially with the women folks.

President Jim Gauthier, of our pinochle club, has made the following awards for the season just closed: The player with the longest neck, Fred Marquis, the most improved player, Mélodie Rancourt (Jim spent a lot of time teaching Mélodie); the quickest bidder, Gene Moore; the trickiest, Ross Bryant; the noisiest, Nazaire Bironfaut; the greatest agitator not in the game, Bill Parker; and last but not least, the greatest all-round player, Jim himself.

DYE HOUSE — Lewiston

■ Harvey Straus attended the Armstrong-Paul Junior fight at Boston Garden. Harvey is quite a fight fan.

■ Stanley Bassett of the Drag Racer challenges anybody in the Dye House for the Paperweight Crown.

■ Adelard Frechette is planning on having a large vegetable garden this spring.

■ If you don't see any step-ladders around, get Tony Verrill.

■ For the latest war news let Frank Spruce get your ear. George Hennessy is the best deliever on this important subject.

■ Fred Leighton ought to buy a pair of roller skates to get his walk in the morning, as he is the last in line.

■ Tony Ward wants it known that he enjoys indoor as well as outdoor sports.

■ George Saltis, of fighting fame, would like to meet John McGaugan anywhere or anytime. Name your weapons, May.

■ Tony Cole is increasing the value of his property by building a new barn.

Operating one of Lewiston's electric transportation units is James Powers. After he had rolled out two barrels onto his truck, we found they contained olive oil, which is used in finishing cloth.

**YARD — Lewiston**

Joe St. Denis went to Cusineau, P.Q., to attend Mr. and Mrs. Anne Goyette's 50th anniversary.
 Dave Chouette went to a fire sale. You should see the nice savings—the color I mean—and is he proud of them.
 Calling all second-hand cars—see Laurel Ames.
 We are still trying to find out where Frank Ouellette buys that wonderful gas. It seems that Frank drives to Brunswick in his super car, that shiny Plymouth. The gas gauge, he says, marked full when he left Lewiston and when he came back he only needed two quarts to fill her up again. Well, well.
 Nap Martin is ill at home. Hurry back to work, Pepper.
 Brendan Theriault and Pete Garon drove to Boston in Pete's 1919 speedster, in the Paul Junier and Acoustique fife, and then the Old Howard. Dear, dear. They left Boston about 4 o'clock a.m. and arrived at our city at 8 p.m. Pretty fast driving, Pete.
 Jim Powers is looking for a man. Come on, kind people, let's help your Jim out.
 If you want to know why's why for Governor, see Mr. Lucien Dutil.

SPECIAL CLOTHES DEPT. — Lewiston

The boys claim that Floyd is saving his Christmas present. Is it because of sentiment or can it be that he does not know what it is for?
 For information on what not to do and how to lose money in real estate ask Bob.
 Here is a good one. It seems that a certain fellow from Jack Conroy's room gets hungry in the afternoon and early the lunch boxes in the Special Cloth Dept. The boys, thinking to play a joke, made a special sandwich, substituting lard grease for the meat. But the joke backfired. You can imagine their consternation when the would-be victim ate the sandwich to the last crumb and asked for more. "Duddy" isn't sure yet whether the sandwich was a plenty or not.
 Casanova is losing his title of the great lover. He is now a one-woman man and talks no more of his conquests. He is very well taken care of, especially on Thursday nights. We don't blame you, Freddy.
 Don doesn't need his jibeggs this summer but wonders if Frankie will be able to produce it come winter.
 By the way, Frankie has, or had, a new girl. All that we can find out is that her name is Jenny. We also know the telephone number, but that is a secret.
 Bob Bay is a jitterbug par excellence. Where there is a dance, near or far, you will find Bob doing his stuff.

NAPPING ROOM NO. 1 — Lewiston

Too bad, Joe Bousquet, there's no mirror in the room so you can have a look at your shape.
 Wonder why Nap Dionne is window shopping every bimonthly night around the furniture stores.
 Pierre Cyr is now retired. Good luck to you, Pierre.
 Emile Morin is helping Houlde's Caf^e by cashing his check every week end.
 Lionel Laron claims himself a machinist; bought himself a Chevrolet, tried to fix it but ruined it; bought himself a Plymouth, tried to fix it but ruined it, too. What's the matter, Ned?
 "Old" Johnson repairs shoes once in a while, but there's nothing like extinguishing the light and going to bed. Tap!
 Sam Ouellette is now the champion ice cream maker. Too bad, "Rudy."

- 5 You better get rid of that cat, Phil P. It's scratching you too much.
- 5 Ernest Gosselin, are you still going to the Strand Theatre Saturday afternoon? Is it still the good cowboy who wins or is it the bad one?
- 5 Joe Alkalanski, pretty near time to take the Pontiac out. It won't freeze now.
- 5 Arthur Pouliot wants to keep Pierre Cyr for his old age pension.
- 5 Ha, ha. Ted Lane, the songbird, is improving lately on the whistle.
- 5 Lawrence Rhoades knows the way to reach all the roads, but how many times do you go out without the Mrs. in a year?
- 5 All the boys are giving "Jack" a lift to fix his roadside stand so he can't make more profit on the hamburgers).

SHOE GOODS DEPT. — Lewiston

Albert Daguenet, who is undergoing a serious surgical operation, is being given a blood transfusion by a fellow co-worker, Joe Grignon.
 John Fruin is being called Jack Fruin by the office crew. The boys in the Shoe Goods are trying to get the drift.
 Adeline Blais, one of the prettiest girls of the Shoe Goods Dept., is sporting a brand new boy friend.
 Ernest Lussier, a member of the Life Saving class at the Auburn Y. M. C. A., is now a full-pledged Life Saver. At a test given the class he swam the entire length of the pool.

PACKING ROOM — Lewiston

Russ Holland's thumbs are awfully red these days missing the nails at his new camp at Thompson Pond.
 Regis Lapage was seen going into Johnnie's pawn shop with a pair of his old pants under his arm. We wonder why he is gathering and handing his gold.
 Bullet Wade's little R.R. is now showing his ability on the diamond. He is now the flashy second baseman for Lewiston High School.
 Bob Langeron says, "It's a very tedious job finding these crows nests going smelting at night, but an apple queen helps as a guiding light."
 Lorraine Pellerin, the best looking girl in the Packing Room, is feeling great since she started new reducing exercises recently.
 Charlie Durand gets up with the birds smelting for he must drive 30 miles to get to work.

STOREHOUSE — Lewiston

We hear construction has started on Emile Duell's new home on Eaton Street. Emile will soon invite the boys up for a good housewarming. P. S. Bring your own Beer.
 To the people who think that jitterbugging is failing out, go to the "Silver Slipper" most any Friday night, and watch Bill LaGoutte and wife kick the gong around.
 Charlie Simard feels very proud these days, because a very distinguished gentleman and his two daughters have moved into his block.
 Wally Tierry is putting on weight these days. Thinks to the free samples of soup being handed out at the A & P. (P. S. Wally, it isn't fair to get in for more than one.)
 Bill Long, our gentleman farmer from Minot Corner has received his seed catalogue early this year.
 We are proud to hear that Gerard Simon has been chosen to trainer for the La Montagnard's new baseball team. We feel that Gerard will keep the boys in good condition.



Look at that expression! Something is going to take place soon! He is Henri St. Ours, son of Aurora St. Ours, and great-grandson of Ed. Desmaraux of Biddeford.

Problème de la Nouvelle Angleterre

Peu après la fin de la première grande guerre, ou plus exactement en 1919, l'industrie textile du coton dans la Nouvelle Angleterre représentait 18.000,000 de spindles. La même année les états qui cultivent le coton dans le Sud avaient presque 15.000,000 de spindles, c'est-à-dire 3.000,000 de spindles de moins que la Nouvelle Angleterre.

Il s'est passé bien des choses depuis ce temps-là. Une des choses les plus graves pour la Nouvelle Angleterre est la grande réduction du nombre de spindles de cette région, si bien qu'à la fin de 1939 il y avait à peine plus de 5,000,000 de spindles au travail dans les Etats de la Nouvelle Angleterre. Le plus surprenant est peut-être qu'il y a à peu près le même nombre de spindles au travail aujourd'hui en Nouvelle Angleterre qu'autrefois en 1870, c'est-à-dire il y a soixante-dix ans.

Mais dans les Etats qui fournit la culture du coton nous voyons tout le contraire. Le Sud avait un peu moins de 15,000,000 de spindles en 1919, et maintenant le Sud a atteint le total de 17,500,000 spindles. Quand on se représente qu'en 1870 ces mêmes états n'avaient que 328,000 spindles il n'est pas difficile de voir ce que cette énorme augmentation signifie en face de ce que nous avons en Nouvelle Angleterre.

Les causes de ces grands changements ont été discutées par bien des gens, et presque tout le monde est d'accord là-dessus. Si la Nouvelle Angleterre doit conserver la place qu'elle occupe dans cette industrie, et si elle doit continuer à donner du travail aux ouvriers de ses filatures nous avons chacun devant nous une tâche à regarder en face. Il sera de plus en plus nécessaire de faire les meilleurs tissus possibles pour chaque qualité. Il faudra éviter les moindres pertes de temps et de matériel. Il faudra que chaque machine produise tout ce qu'elle peut donner. Et il faudra que tous les ouvriers se rendent compte de ce qui est en jeu dans le travail qu'ils font.

Un effort concerté pour préserver la qualité des produits de la Nouvelle Angleterre, et le volume des étoffes fabriquées dans les filatures de la Nouvelle Angleterre obtiendra des résultats.

L. Keet. Jr.

Mill Manager

THE PRICE OF SAFETY IS CARE

THE REWARD OF SAFETY IS A HAPPY LIFE

With the baseball season here again, many of us will want to take in the games. How interesting it is to watch a tie game in the ninth inning. The base runner is ready to take a chance at stealing second or third. The team coach says "Nothing doing." Take no chance. Play safe. It is better to have a tie game rather than a losing one.

How true that game can be played in our mills. Play safe. Far better it is to have a tie game, or rather, take time to think of the safety of yourself, the runner, or the rest of the team.

Keep Coolers Clean

Good habits are part of team training. Get plenty of sleep, simple but well cooked food and drink a lot of water. Water you know, helps to rid the body of waste and poisons. The drinking of ice cold water during the warm months is not recommended.

Speaking of water, let us try to keep the coolers cleaner. Spitting is a nasty word but spitting in the fountains is even more nasty. Clearness is a personal characteristic. In a home, when there may be five or six children, they are made to pick up after themselves, to dress and keep themselves clean. Mother couldn't do this on top of her other household duties. In an industrial plant it is much the same. Even in the ball games, no one person can win the game. Each is dependent on his team mates.

What Happened?

Last year the safety records of all the plants made a remarkable showing. This year, something has broken loose. There has been more lost time from accidents in the first five months of this year, than all of 1939. Why not get a firmer grip on the bat and strike out Old Man Accident? It can be done.

All the mills are taking all precautions to eliminate accidents. Work has been done repairing floors, installing guard rails, posting caution signs, covering

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exposed moving machinery and many other things to maintain the safety of employees. In Middleford there has been placed at each grind stone or emery wheel, a set of face shields. This is a transparent plaster material which will prevent small flying particles from hitting your face.

Hot Weather Suggestions

With the approach of warm months, we should treat our bodies a little differently. Avoid eating too much meat. Wear light weight clothing. Eat a nourishing and well rounded breakfast. Be careful of sunburn. It is painful and at times very dangerous. Make a friend of soap and water. Dirt breeds germs and germs can make us sick and weak.

An unwritten rule in baseball is that when a player receives an injury, he must report at once. So it is with our organization. No matter how slight the injury may seem, report at once. It takes only a few minutes and may save much suffering. Little wounds sometimes are more dangerous than big ones.

Play Safe Always

If any employee receives a wound when away from work, wash it well with plenty of water and soap. Cover it with a piece of clean cloth or bandage and should you choose to report later to our clinics for advice or treatment, you will be welcome.

Industrial working is much like a game of ball. Let's try hard to play a no hit, no run game. Safety today is as important as work itself. Safety is a WAY of doing work. Work and play safely.